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Local Pubs On Shelf

Listen!

Baby's Cry Is One Of Tragedy

The newborn baby cries.

It cries as if it can see what lies ahead.

In Bangladesh, one of the poorest countries in the world, a baby is born every 7½ minutes.

The 1974 census showed a population of 75 million. The population is expected to double in less than 25 years at a rate of between 3 and 3.4 per cent a year.

The babies that survive face a bleak future in a land ravaged by war and natural disasters, such as the 1970 cyclone that killed 500,000 people.

They inherit a legacy of poverty in a country with a per capita Gross National Product of less than \$100.

They grow up in a country where less than 20 per cent of the people are literate.

There's a chance they'll grow up only to share the fate of the 7½ million unemployed in the country.

But the future is not completely without hope. Friendship Dollars, donated to the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada, represent the difference between living and living death to thousands.

As in past years, the Victoria Times is supporting a Friendship Dollars campaign, hoping the spirit of giving will grow sufficiently to include others less fortunate than ourselves.

The target for Victoria this year is \$20,000. Contributions can be mailed in care of the Victoria Times, P.O. Box 300, Victoria, or brought to the business office counter at 2621 Douglas.

Donations will also be accepted at any Bank of Nova Scotia branch. Cheques should be made payable to the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada.

A moratorium has been placed on the granting of licences for neighborhood pubs, Consumer and Corporate Affairs Minister Rafe Mair announced Friday.

The moratorium will be two or three months "at the outside" and will allow his ministry to correct some of the "injustices" surrounding the licence-granting process, he said.

The moratorium does not mean that the concept of neighborhood pubs has been abandoned, Mair said, adding that he expected to be able to take new regulations before the cabinet for approval early in the new year.

The current regulations indicate what qualifies as a neighborhood pub, Mair said, but does not indicate how many of the pubs are allowed in one area.

As an example, the minister said, six neighborhood pubs exist in Kamloops, his home constituency, and have been built around an already-existing liquor outlet which is "causing problems for the owners."

There is only one pub in Vancouver, with four pending, and none in Victoria proper, although there is one on the Saanich Peninsula, he said.

"The problem is that if we allow other applications to go through without concern to the local outlets, we will have a hell of a problem on our hands," Mair said.

WORDPLAY

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LOGS

THANK TO AMY GAUTHIER, 5th GRADE, COVENTRY, CANA.

Send your own WORDPLAY, care of this newspaper.

PELTIER GOES

BURNABY — Leonard Peltier, the Sioux Indian wanted in the U.S. for the murder of two FBI agents, was taken from a provincial jail here by helicopter today to an undisclosed destination south of the border. About 24 Indians kept up an all-night vigil with tom-toms outside the prison.

Mate Overboard —No Trace

A search in Juan de Fuca Strait off Victoria this morning failed to find any trace of the second mate of a Japanese freighter who fell overboard during the night.

The mishap was reported to the Victoria Search and Rescue office at 4:45 a.m. when the freighter Bunko Maru was 6½ miles southwest of Race Rocks, in American waters.

No explanation of how the unidentified man fell overboard was given.

A rescue centre spokesman said Kiseby Rings, life preservers equipped with lights, were thrown overboard after the man fell and are being used as reference points in the search, which is extending from Trial Island to Sooke and the width of the strait.

8 MDs BILL FOR \$150,000

VANCOUVER (CP) — Eight British Columbia general practitioners billed the Medical Services Commission more than \$150,000 each in the fiscal year to March, 1976.

The British Columbia Medical Association said Friday 3.5 per cent of B.C.'s general practitioners, 57 doctors, had a gross income of more than \$100,000 from the medical plan.

The 315 general practitioners who received gross payments of between \$50,000 and \$99,999 from the MSC would have an average net income of approximately \$42,000.

Jack Paul, BCMA director of economics, said one general practitioner in the Interior "eats and sleeps" medicine, and therefore has a very high billing of \$199,255.

NEWS BRIEFS

Dockers Settle

VANCOUVER (CP) — Members of the Vancouver and New Westminster locals of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union have voted 76.9 per cent to accept a new one-year contract, a union spokesman said Friday.

Egg Price Cut

OTTAWA (CP) — The price paid to producers for Grade A large eggs will decrease by one cent a dozen Monday because of lower feed costs, the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency said Friday in a news release.

Brinks Settles

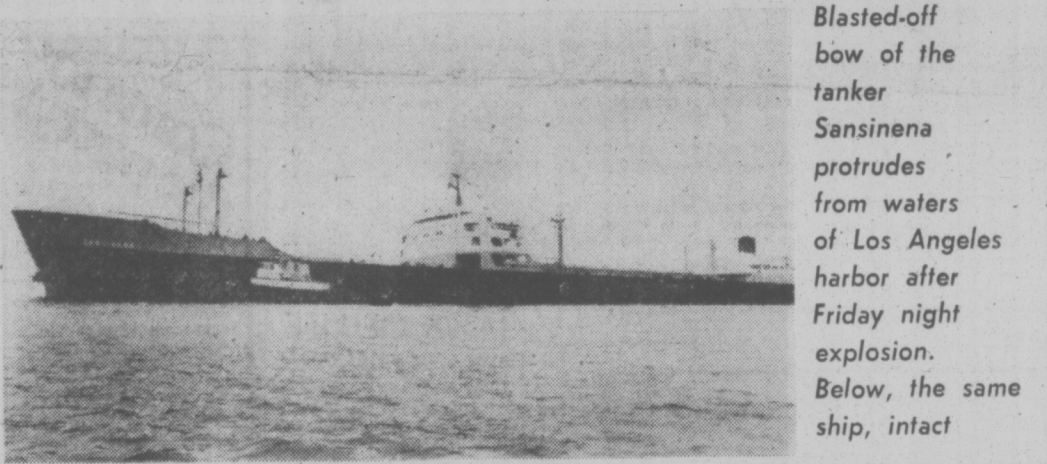
VANCOUVER (CP) — Sixteen employees of Brinks Canada Ltd. voted Friday to accept a contract proposal and end a month-long strike, but 56 drivers and guards employed by Loomis Armored Car Service Ltd. rejected the proposal.

Flight Out Fails

BELLA BELLA (CP) — The pilot who landed his single engine Cessna 150 on a soccer field here Tuesday failed in his attempt to fly out of the village Friday when the plane struck a fire hydrant and damaged a wheel. The pilot plans to ship the plane out by barge.

Hostage Murdered

MADRID (Reuters) — An anonymous caller telephoned a newspaper early today to say that Antonio Maria de Oriol, president of the Advisory Council of State, has been killed by his kidnappers.



Blasted-off
bow of the
tanker
Sansinena
protrudes
from waters
of Los Angeles
harbor after
Friday night
explosion.
Below, the same
ship, intact

Canada Considers Oil Boost In Wake of Jump by OPEC

Times News Services

OTTAWA — Canada is considering raising the price of exported oil to reflect the increase resulting from the current OPEC meeting in Qatar, but domestic prices will not be affected, officials said Friday.

Domestic oil is already scheduled to go to \$3.75 from \$3.65 a barrel Jan. 1, still well below the world price of \$13.50 a barrel.

A spokesman for the National Energy Board said no date has been set for an export-oil increase, "but the increase would be comparable to the rise in the price of oil on the world market."

"We are currently only reviewing the possibility of an increase, and we would make our recommendations to the energy minister who would in turn release the date, and the amount of the increase," the spokesman said.

Energy Minister Alastair Gillespie said he is disappointed with the new increase in world oil prices, but added it will have no immediate impact on domestic oil costs.

Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates broke with the other 11 OPEC members and said they will raise prices by only five per cent. The others say they will increase prices by 10 per cent Jan. 1 and a further five per cent July 1.

Currently, Canada gets 16 per cent of the 700,000 barrels of oil it imports daily from Saudi Arabia and the Emirates. The remaining 84 per cent comes from the other 11 OPEC members, mainly Venezuela.

Canadians are cushioned from increases in world oil prices by a federal-provincial agreement holding the domestic price at lower levels.

Under the agreement, Ottawa collects an export tax on oil shipped to the United States, using the funds to subsidize the cost of oil imported for use in the eastern provinces.

Gillespie said the higher prices will cost an additional \$70 million to \$100 million annually in subsidy payments. But he said it was not yet clear how much it would cost the subsidy fund into deficit.

Initially, the export tax was expected to meet the full cost of the subsidy but since then exports have dropped. They will be 305,000 barrels a day effective Jan. 1, while imports remain at 700,000.

"Asked if he thought the differing prices indicated a split in OPEC, the minister said that might be going too far "but cracks are forming."

Reserves of oil around the world are declining, making the supplies more valuable.

"I don't think anyone is under any illusions that we will get a price drop," the minister said.

LOS ANGELES — A huge oil tanker was blasted into three separate parts Friday night by a violent explosion of undetermined origin that occurred while the ship was in harbor here.

At least 11 persons were killed, another five crewmen are missing and at least 50 others were injured in the blast which occurred shortly after 512,000 barrels of crude oil had been unloaded.

The bow of the 810-foot, Liberian-registered Sansinena was hurled shorewards by the explosion and the other two-thirds of the vessel sank.

Divers and searchers were cautiously inspecting the twisted mangled remains of the tanker today and attempting to determine what caused the explosion. Authorities said it may be days before they know for certain how many died.

The shock wave hurled huge pieces of the vessel through the air like shrapnel and shattered hundreds of windows over three square miles of the harbor area, which had to be guarded from looters. It set off burglar alarms, knocked out phone service, flattened traffic signs and threw open a locked, chained door on a house more than two miles from the scene.

A column of smoke and fire climbed nearly 1,000 feet in the air, engulfing the ship and the Union Oil dock.

More than 200 firemen battled the fire before it was declared under control early today, but portions of the stern were still burning.

Chunks of steel 25 yards long slammed into the asphalt surrounding the ship's berth. Steel hatch covers, three-quarters of an inch thick were twisted like bottlecaps and tossed hundreds of yards from the ship.

Authorities said it was likely that several crew members had been trapped inside the mammoth tanker.

So fierce was the blast that the shock was felt as far away as downtown Los Angeles, 25 miles to the north.

"That tanker was unloading, and I was at the store about a half-mile from here," said Juan Rodriguez, assistant manager of the terminal. "All of a sudden, that thing just blew like there was no tomorrow. It was like a shock wave. All the windows just gave out in the store."

Los Angeles police called a full-scale tactical alert — the first since the 1965 Watts riots — to guard against looting. More than 200 police were on the scene and personnel from all of the police department's 17 divisions were ordered to stand by for emergency measures.

Peggy Treddio said she was waiting on a dock in the harbor area when "suddenly there was a flash and a boom. I was sitting down and it almost knocked me into the water."

San Pedro residents said the flash "lit up the sky like lightning."

Residents of Eagle Rock, more than 40 miles to the north, reported an "earthquake" before learning of the explosion.

The ship was "about two thirds sunk, with fire coming from the bow and stern," a fire department spokesman said. He said firemen feared that if it sank further flaming liquid would spread to the harbor waters, igniting oil storage tanks.

"It scared the hell out of me," said Frank Rodriguez, 27, who lives about a mile from where the ship exploded.

MASSIVE SPILL

BOSTON (AP) — A tanker, in danger of splitting "like a cracked walnut," has already spilled more than 100,000 gallons of oil into prime fishing areas while grounded off Nantucket Island, the U.S. Coast Guard said today.

Authorities were worried that high winds forecast for the afternoon would prove too much for the battered and half-submerged Argo Merchant, loaded with 7.6 million gallons of heavy industrial oil.

A six-man coast guard force planned to go aboard the 640-foot tanker today and survey the damage. Water had been found Friday in 25 of the ship's 30 oil tanks, indicating serious fractures in the hull.

The ship held together through the night despite high winds and five-foot waves.

"It's intact, but I don't think it will hold much longer," said coast guard spokesman Richard Griggs. "She's survived three days of bad weather but she won't be able to take too much more."

Jailed Chilean Traded for Russian

ZURICH (AP) — Two of the world's most prominent political prisoners were exchanged in Switzerland today.

Soviet dissident Vladimir Bukovsky arrived for exile in the West five minutes before Chilean Communist party leader Luis Corvalan flew into Zurich airport aboard a West German Lufthansa flight from Santiago. Airport police said Corvalan and his wife boarded a Soviet Aeroflot plane that brought Bukovsky here and took off for Moscow.

Bukovsky was smiling but pale after his release from four years in Soviet prison camps. "I am very happy, but I am tired," the 35-year-old human rights activist told reporters.

Corvalan was freed by Chile's right-wing regime in a prisoner exchange the United States helped to arrange.

The actual exchange took place on a runway about two-thirds of a mile from the terminal. Scores of Swiss police surrounded the two air-

liners, which were parked about 300 yards apart. Bukovsky, his wife and his sister and Corvalan and his wife got into separate black limousines after their arrival.

Chilean officials said the exchange took place in the presence of the Chilean, Soviet and U.S. ambassadors.

Reporters were kept in the terminal. They swarmed around the fur-hatted Bukovsky when he and his family suddenly turned up there.

Bukovsky smiled and repeated in broken English, "I am very happy, I am tired," then lapsed into Russian. He said he plans to stay in Switzerland a few days before flying on to London. "I am not feeling well," he explained.

Bukovsky was reunited with his mother, sister and nephew in Moscow on Friday night. They were flown to Zurich from a military airport near Moscow. His bedridden nephew, Mikhail Ivanov, was

operated on Thursday for a blood disease and is to enter a Swiss hospital.

Actor David Markham said he has invited the Bukovskys to his farmhouse in Sussex, England. Markham said Bukovsky told him it was only after arriving at Zurich that he learned he was being exchanged for Corvalan.

A report on Corvalan's release by the Soviet news agency Tass in Moscow did not mention Bukovsky.

Canada Force Eyed for Rhodesia

LONDON (WP) — Anglo-American diplomats have drafted a new peace proposal to put black and white Commonwealth officers in charge of Rhodesia's military and police forces, it was learned Friday.

According to sources here, the commanders and their supporting staff would come largely from Canada, Nigeria and India. There is, however, a hope, would ally fears of both Rhodesian blacks and whites in the crucial transi-

tion period before majority rule.

Control of Rhodesia's armed forces during this stage has been a key stumbling block to agreement in the talks in Geneva between white and black Rhodesian negotiators.

The plan was endorsed in talks this week between British and American officials, including Frank Wisner and John Reinhardt of the U.S. State Department, and Ted Rowlands, the British minister of state for Africa, and

Ivor Richard, chairman of the recessed Geneva conference.

Richard will try out the scheme on all the principals during a southern Africa swing after Christmas. He expects to visit so-called front-line African presidents in Botswana, Tanzania, Zambia and Mozambique. He will also confer with the black-Rhodesian leaders in these capitals.

Richard will then go to Salisbury to see Rhodesian Premier Ian Smith, and to South Africa where Premier John

Vorster has life-and-death control over Smith. The Commonwealth Secretary here, it was learned, has already conducted paper exercises with the plan, calculating what officers would be needed, the support they will require and how to move them into Salisbury. Shridath Ramphal, the Commonwealth secretary general, is said to have discussed the notion in his recent talks with Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim.

Smith's hard-line defence minister, Pieter Van Der Byl, has already said:

"The Rhodesian armed forces would certainly not take orders from a man they have never seen before and probably hope never to see again."

O.C. SOCCER

LONDON (Reuters) — West Ham United, struggling at the foot of the English Football League's First Division table, beat leading Liverpool 2-0 today, handing out to the league champions their second defeat in four days.

The defeat, following a 5-1 thrashing by Aston Villa Wednesday, toppled Liverpool from top spot. Ipswich Town drew level with them on points by drawing 6-0 with Derby County and took over first place in the table with a better goal difference. Ipswich also has two matches in hand of Liverpool.

West Ham's great win lifted them from bottom place in the table, over Sunderland, beaten 1-0 at home by Norwich City.

WIDE OPEN IMMIGRATION

VANCOUVER (CP) — Canada will never have discriminatory immigration policies again, Bud Cullen, minister of manpower and immigration, said today.

Cullen, speaking to a group at the Britannia Community Centre at the invitation of Art Lee, Chinese-Canadian Liberal MP for Vancouver East, said "it is hard to believe" that until the late 1940s Canada banned Chinese immigration altogether.

"I am relieved to say those discriminatory policies were dropped many years ago, and we ensured that they would never be practised again by passing regulations to prohibit

discrimination." However, the existing immigration act, drafted in 1952, still has a number of provisions "which are nothing less than blatantly racist," Mr. Cullen said.

"One section, for example, gives the government the power to prohibit the admission of persons by reason of nationality, citizenship, ethnic group, occupation, class or geographic area of origin."

"That was why the government had proposed new legislation, under which immigration quotas would be replaced by "a global level of immigration."

WOMAN KILLED

A Langford woman was killed near Prince Rupert Friday but her husband survived when their car slid into the Skeena River.

Dead is Viola May Dodds, about 70, of trailer 39 at 2587 Selwyn.

Police said her husband, Bently, 70, was driver when their auto left Highway 16 West and went into the river.

Fire Started By Candle, Says Deputy

A candle left burning overnight has been blamed for a fire in a suite at Windsor Court Apartments on Gorge Road early Friday.

The fire and the water used by tenants to put it out were responsible for about \$3,000 damage.

Deputy Fire Chief Carl Coates said residents should be extra careful with the use of candles, especially at Christmas when the use of candles is part of the holiday tradition.

A number of serious fires in recent years have been attributed to candles, he said.

In this case, the candle was in a macramé hanger, and flaming wax eventually spilled to the carpet which in turn set the drapes on fire and they fell on an upholstered chair, causing a potentially serious blaze, he said.

THE OUTCASTS



by Ben Wicks

Cooling Off Time For Ex-Ministers

By DAN POTTER
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Prime Minister Trudeau has issued guidelines imposing "cooling-off periods" on former cabinet ministers and senior public servants before they can do certain kinds of business with the government.

Trudeau tabled the new guidelines in the Commons Friday saying their aim was to "protect the integrity of government service and to prevent private exploitation of the public trust."

The only sanction provided, however, is the threat of public disclosure if the rules are broken in a way that constitutes conflict of interest.

"The guidelines list certain outside jobs such as lobbying, that former public officials cannot accept for periods ranging from six months to two years after leaving government service."

Prime Minister Trudeau promised the guidelines last spring following controversy in the House over the private business activities of such former deputy ministers as Simon Reisman of finance and James Granly of Trade.

The two set up a private consulting firm after leaving the public service and dealt with companies such as the Lockheed Aircraft Corp. from which armed forces aircraft were bought.

This was the second set of guidelines issued by the government in as many days. A set of rules for the commercial activities of Crown corporations was released Thursday.

Two advisory committees — one for civil servants and another for cabinet appointees like deputy ministers — are being set up to counsel departing officials of the rules.

USC DONORS

The following are the donations received to date for the Unitarian Service Committee:

Carried Forward	\$7,057.80
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Anonymous	10.00
Anonymous	10.00
Anonymous	25.00
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Mrs. F. Field	25.00
Pixie	10.00
Anonymous	10.00
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Cathy	5.00
B. Burgs	5.00
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JAWS OF LIFE FAIL TO WORK

A 17-year-old youth was trapped in his wrecked car with a broken ankle for about half an hour Friday afternoon after it hit a retaining wall on Bay Street near Bridge Street.

His rescue was delayed when the jaws broke on the "jaws of life," a powered tool used by firemen to free people trapped in wreckage.

City police said today the boy's car spun out of control as he changed traffic lanes. Traffic in the area was tied up for about an hour.

The jaws broke as firemen were cutting through a door hinge. The youth was treated at Victoria General Hospital for the ankle fracture and a cut on his forehead.

the weather

Flurries fell in some areas of the Interior overnight as a minor disturbance moved over the Interior overnight. Elsewhere skies were partially clearing as a ridge of high pressure continues to develop.

Another disturbance is approaching B.C. from the west. As a result there will be increasing cloud later today over the north coast and the south coast and northern Interior on Sunday. Until then most areas of B.C. can expect frequent sunny periods and cooler temperatures.

ENVIRONMENTAL CANADA WEATHER OFFICE
in U.S. FORECASTS

Valid Until Midnight Sunday
Greater Victoria: Today, cloudy with sunny periods. Increasing cloud tonight. Sunday, cloudy with chance rain towards evening. Highs: both days 8 to 10. Lows tonight near 3.

North and West Vancouver Island: Today, becoming cloudy. Sunday, cloudy with showers beginning in the morning. Windy. Highs: both days 7 to 10. Lows tonight 1 to 3.

Greater Vancouver, Lower Mainland, East Vancouver Island: Today, cloudy with sunny periods. Isolated showers ending this morning. Increasing cloud tonight. Highs 8 to 10. Lows tonight near 3. Sunday, cloudy with chance of rain towards evening. Highs 8 to 10.

World Temperatures: Amsterdam 5, 2; Athens 16, 10; Bangkok 33, 23; Beirut 12, 7; Berlin -2, -4; Brussels 3, 1; Buenos Aires 24, 15; Copenhagen 0, -2; Frankfurt -4, -4; Geneva 2, -2; Helsinki 0, -3; Hong Kong 23, 18; Honolulu 27, 15; Johannesburg 27, 14; Kiev 2, -2; Lisbon 14, 8; London 4, 1; Madrid 10, 7;

Moscow -10, -11; Paris 7, 2; Rio 25, 18; Rome 14, 11; Sao Paulo 25, 18; Seoul 7, 2; Singapore 28, 22; Stockholm 0, 4; Taipei 25, 17; Tehran 11, 7; Tel Aviv -20, 12; Tokyo 14, 4

CITY'S WEATHER RECORD
Sunshine December 21.5 hrs.
Last December 42.0 hrs.
Normal (30 Years) 34.9 hrs.
Sunshine, 1976 217.1 hrs.
Last Year 210.4 hrs.
Normal (30 Years) 216.5 hrs.
Precipitation, Dec. 11.5 mm
Last December 127.9 mm
Normal (30 Years) 65.6 mm
Precipitation, 1976 531.6 mm
Last Year 778.6 mm
Normal (30 Years) 614.7 mm

Sunrise, Sunset Sunday
(Pacific Standard Time)
Sunrise 8:02 Sunset 16:20

TEMPERATURES
Yesterday
Max Min Precip
Victoria 10 6 2.6
Normal 7 3 —

One Year Ago
Victoria 5 1 —

Across Canada
Prince Rupert 3 -6 0.5
Prince George 7 -6 —
Terrace 1 -5 —
Port Hardy 8 0 0.8
Tofino 10 -8 3.6
Comox 14 1 —
Vancouver 11 5 1.3
Kamloops 11 0 1.0
Cranbrook 10 1 —
Williams Lake -6 -9 2.8
Fort Nelson -12 -28 —
Peace River -2 -18 —
Edmonton -2 -9 —
Jasper -5 -2 1.3
Banff 7 -2 1.0
Calgary 10 -3 0.5
Lethbridge 14 -3 —
Medicine Hat 14 -1 —
N. Battleford 1 -7 —
Saskatoon 5 -7 —
Swift Current 11 5 —
Prince Albert -1 -13 —
Moose Jaw 9 -5 —

Regina 6 -10 —
Yorkton 2 -6 —
Thompson -5 -16 —
Brandon 1 9 —
Winnipeg 2 -7 —
The Pas -4 -6 —
Kenora -3 -5 —
Thunder Bay -1 -11 —
Toronto 3 -5 1.0
Ottawa -1 -12 1.8
Montreal -4 -9 0.8
Quebec -4 -9 0.5
Halifax 4 -6 10.2
Charlottetown 0 -8 19.1
Fredericton -4 -7 29.7
St. John's 7 1 8.1
Whitehorse -18 -19 —
Yellowknife -16 -29 —
Churchill -17 -20 —
Inuvik -32 -35 —

UNITED STATES
Seattle 12 -7 3.6
Spokane 11 0 —
Portland 8 2 0.5
San Francisco 17 3 —
Los Angeles 24 13 —
Las Vegas 20 6 —
Phoenix 23 12 —
Chicago 6 3 —
New York 5 2 —
Miami 23 13 —

TIDES AT VICTORIA
(Times listed are Pacific Standard Time)

	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.
	H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.

18	01:15	7:05:15	2:41:05	10:09:10	1:4
19	02:00	7:04:30	8:01:10	11:09:45	7
20	02:35	8:07:10	8:12:40	12:10:45	12
21	04:05	8:08:00	8:21:15	9:21:20	2
22	04:50	8:09:00	8:14:30	9:22:05	11
23	07:10	8:10:05	7:8:14:45	8:22:45	11

TIDES AT SOOKE
(Times listed are Pacific Standard Time)

	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.
	H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.

18	00:20	7:03:05	6:71:30	10:17:40	2.0
19	01:20	7:04:05	7:11:05	11:09:25	1.4
20	02:25	7:05:10	8:11:55	11:20:10	1.2
21	03:30	8:06:45	7:52:30	11:50:20	1.0
22	04:35	8:07:45	7:53:15	10:21:35	1.2
23	04:45	8:08:05	7:44:15	10:17:05	1.7

TIDES AT FULFORD HARBOUR
(Times listed are Pacific Standard Time)

	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.	Time Ht.
	H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.	F.H.M.

18	04:05	10:00:45	9:01:35	11:26:45	1.3
19	04:45	10:00:45	9:01:35	11:26:45	1.3
20	05:35	11:30:55	9:41:30	11:22:10	1.3
21	06:20	11:12:55	9:14:30	10:22:30	1.2
22	06:55	11:8:15	9:01:30	10:22:30	1.2
23	07:30	11:8:15	8:17:00	9:8	

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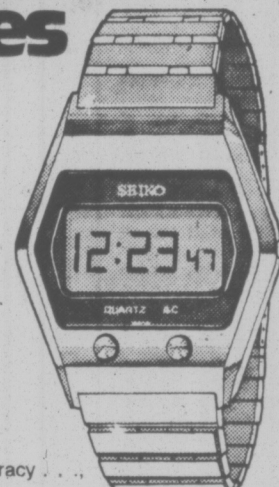
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P.Q. Could Survive Referendum 'No'

QUEBEC (CP) — Defeat of the proposed Parti Quebecois referendum on independence would not necessarily mean defeat of the government, Premier Rene Levesque said Friday.

"It seems to me normal that we would continue to exercise power as a provincial government if this defeat of the referendum takes place, but I'm confident this will not happen," he told the national assembly.

Raymond Gagneau (L —

Jean Talon) said he wondered how the PQ government could retain credibility with the public if the major plank of its program were rejected by voters.

The premier replied that when former British prime minister Harold Wilson called a referendum on British membership in the Common Market nobody suggested he would have to resign if the referendum were defeated.

The Parti Quebecois government has promised a ref-

erendum on the question within its first term of office, which traditionally would last four years.

Levesque said the subject was discussed at a private dinner he had earlier this week with the nine other provincial premiers at the official residence of Prime Minister Trudeau in Ottawa.

He termed it unacceptable that "certain political gossips" had leaked a truncated version of what had been said at the dinner to the press.

"We had a frank discussion: I could even say that it was pretty lively and on occasion brutal, so that they would understand well that the government I lead does not intend, in any way, to abandon its national objective and that was well understood."

He said he remembers at times using the phrase "It's none of your goddam business" during the discussion,

but in the end the conversation was ended with the words — "We agree to disagree."

The premier said he explained his view of the referendum to the premiers and to Trudeau and told them "we would work very hard, with all our heart, to obtain the response which would correspond with our political intentions."

The discussion then turned to the political futures of the premiers present, Levesque said.

TORY 'SICKENED' TORY

OTTAWA (CP) — Conservative MP Gordon Fairweather said he had a "sickening feeling" in the Commons Friday when his colleague Dan McKenzie (PC — Winnipeg South Centre), asked about any Communist affiliations of a government-appointed official.

"I'm deeply upset about this personal attack," Fairweather said in an interview.

Mckenzie had called for an investigation into the communist affiliations of Jean-Louis Gagnon, 63, appointed last summer to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission.

MPs shouted no when asked if there was unanimous consent to vote on the matter.

Fairweather said he considered protesting the Mckenzie motion "but I thought that would be a little self-righteous."

Fairweather, outspoken on human rights and civil liberties, said the "issue surely is

fairness in dealing with other people."

"Mr. Gagnon is a distinguished citizen of Canada and the Communist party is a legal political party," he said.

Gagnon was head of Information Canada before it was

disbanded by the government last year. He has received several awards for outstanding work in broadcasting and served as co-chairman of the federal government's royal commission on bilingualism and biculturalism.



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INDEPENDENCE NEXT-LEVESQUE

MONTREAL (CP) — The flags of many nations left over from the Games fluttered from the ceiling of the Olympic velodrome Friday as Premier Rene Levesque exhorted an ecstatic throng of supporters to work for the independence of Quebec.

Levesque cautioned the crowd of about 3,000 at an emotional Parti Quebecois victory party that they must not squander the victory won at the polls Nov. 15 because it was only a first step. The next would be to win a referendum on independence.

At this point the crowd of all age groups launched into a rhythmic foot-stomping and hand-clapping chant of "Le Quebec aux Quebecois" — Quebec for Quebecers.

Levesque's appearance on a makeshift stage in the mammoth arena was the emotional peak of the celebration which saw PQ members of the Quebec national assembly draw more applause than most entertainment personalities.

More than 30 PQ members, including 14 cabinet ministers, were called to the stage.

After Levesque's speech, the PQ members mingled freely in the crowd unhampered by security people.

Most received a bevy of kisses and handshakes and several stayed to dance as strobe lights and throbbing music transformed the velodrome into a giant discotheque.

Jury: Congressman Took Kickbacks

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A federal court jury has decided that while James Hastings was in Congress, he got three employees to kick back parts of their salaries so he could buy cars, snowmobiles and boats for himself and pay college expenses of his children.

Hastings, a Republican from southwestern New York, will be sentenced Jan. 21 by U.S. District Judge June Green. After deliberating four hours on Friday, the jury returned guilty verdicts on 20

counts of mail fraud and 8 for filing false payroll information out of 35 indictments.

Hastings stood expressionless as the jury foreman read the decision. He could receive up to five years imprisonment and \$1,000 fines on the mail fraud charges, and five years imprisonment and \$10,000 fines on the false document counts.

"It is difficult now to comment," Hastings said. "We will have to make a basic decision on whether to go to appeal." He is still free on personal recognizance.

Cashiers Charged

LAUREL, Md. (AP) — Six race track admissions cashiers have been indicted by a grand jury on charges of embezzlement and larceny. They are accused of taking part in a scheme that involved pocketing admission fees and then letting patrons walk around the turnstiles.

ACTIVIST Clare Culhane, left, holds her picket outside the B.C. Pen in New Westminster after she was removed from the pen and charged with trespassing. She says she will not eat until after Christmas. An unidentified supporter is with her.

Bawlf Report 'Missed Mark'

VANCOUVER (CP) — Federal income tax deductions on mortgage interest payments would have a greater impact on the cost of housing than anything suggested in the Bawlf Report, a study by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) has concluded.

Jeff McKelvie, UBCM executive director, said Friday a housing report by a joint provincial-municipal committee, released last month, missed the mark in measures aimed at producing affordable housing in B.C.

The committee, headed by Recreation Minister Sam Bawlf, said legislation is required to ensure that municipalities accept their fair share of residential growth.

Housing Minister Hugh Curtis should be able to set growth quotas and disperse development grants to replace the current system of collecting impost fees under municipal land-use contracts, the report said.

It also advocated changes designed to accelerate the process of approving development applications at local and provincial levels.

McKelvie said the UBCM is convinced that housing would remain beyond the reach of middle-income earners if recommendations contained in the Bawlf Report are enforced.

He noted that federal Defence Minister Barney Danson, formerly urban affairs minister, said in September he was considering pushing for limited tax deductions on mortgage interest exceeding 5.5 per cent.

"But he (Danson) got shot down by (Finance Minister Donald) Macdonald," McKelvie said.

KKK Causing Split

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Civil rights leader Jesse Jackson says reported Ku Klux Klan activity at the marine corps base at Camp Pendleton, Calif., has created a split between blacks and whites which could spread through the entire U.S. military.

Danson had said maximum deductions of \$1,000 on mortgage interest above 9.5 per cent would cost the federal government \$200 million in lost revenue. Macdonald replied that tax deductions would discriminate against Canadians who lease or rent rather than own homes.

The UBCM report, delivered Wednesday to the municipal affairs department in Victoria, says limited deductions would be the most important means of creating affordable housing.

A Vancouver-area homebuyer who takes out a \$50,000 mortgage at 12 per cent interest is required to pay twice that amount in interest alone over a 25-year period, it says.

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Drug Abuse

The British Columbia Medical Association and former human resources minister Norman Levi hit Health Minister Bob McClelland with a few nasty words when he went to Japan two weeks ago to study that country's method of treating drug addiction. The BCMA said it would not be party to any changes introduced here based on the Japanese experience since it was not invited along on the trip. Levi said McClelland and his drug adviser, Bert Hoskins, were "know-nothings."

This was hysterical over-reaction. McClelland has done nothing to change the status quo and came back from Japan with more questions than answers. If Levi or the BCMA thought that the Social Credit government overnight was going to introduce compulsory treatment and criminalization of addiction, that may have been understandable in light of how the Socreds took a meat axe to the province's economy nine months ago.

But the former minister and the medical panjandrums, know, as do even Socred ministers champing at the bit, that there are no easy answers to the problem of heroin addiction. There may not be any difficult solutions (short of the Chinese method—execution) either. Perhaps all we can hope for is alleviation, a palliative in place of complete elimination.

Different countries have experimented with the problem in different ways, and with differing measures of success. It is ironic that the two western nations with the most serious heroin addiction problems—Great Britain and the United States—should be moved to opposite conclusions about one suggested method of treatment, legalization of heroin use.

Britain, where heroin use has been legal for registered addicts for years, at present suffers heroin addiction in epidemic proportions, according to officialdom. Handing out heroin to addicts at pharmacies didn't eliminate illicit sale of the drug; quite the opposite has occurred.

A report last month stated that there is a weekly turnover of about \$7 million in the illegal heroin trade, or about 35 pounds of heroin a week. Scotland Yard believes there are more than 10,000 pushers and 40,000 addicts in the country, many more than when legalized heroin was introduced.

But in the U.S., with a proportionally much greater problem (an estimated 400,000 to 500,000 addicts), many authorities are advocating heroin handouts to addicts and decriminalization of use or possession, something like the lenient marijuana laws in many American states which make possession of less than an ounce only a misdemeanor.

Legalization is proposed out of self-interest, of course. Supposedly giving the stuff away means that no young addict will have to hold up grocery stores, snatch purses or shoplift to support his habit. Proponents ignore or may not emphasize the fact that for many addicts, the crime involved is as much a "thrill" as the drug's high itself. Acting outside the law, as a self-styled renegade in opposition to the sad, straight world, is a powerful if perverted attraction for young rebels.

The emphasis on this continent

lately has been vigorous pursuit and prosecution of the men at the top of the drug pyramid, the big boys who deal in pounds of heroin and millions of dollars. There are measurable effects of this policy, in the increased street price of heroin and poorer quality. It has a deterrent effect on some, but others will steal whatever is necessary to support their habits, thus increasing crime.

It will cut down the amount of heroin available, but there are not enough police or judges to stop completely the flow of heroin in to Canada. The profits to be made are so high that someone, somewhere will take the risk.

Some suggest that outside influences are to blame for drug addiction—broken homes, high unemployment, poverty. By this analysis, then, Newfoundland or Cape Breton should be centres of drug addiction, but clearly they are not.

In the end, we must concentrate on the addict and if something can be learned from the experience of Japan or Hong Kong, then the BCMA and opposition politicians should offer to help, not hinder. On the other hand, nobody should expect any fast fixes or miracle solutions out of the Orient. There just aren't any, anywhere. To quote Dr. Robert DuPont, head of the U.S. National Institute of Drug Abuse: "The major lesson we have learned is that the drug abuse problem will not go away. It's not like waging a war, where you think one day you can proclaim a victory. The better analogy now is weeding a garden. It's a constant problem and you have to keep at it."



1171 Rockland Avenue

by Nick Gidney

to the point EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

B.C.'s Liquor Branch: No Toast for Turkeys

That liquor stores are better attended than churches at this time of year is a tacit comment on Canadian values, churches and the transformation of a religious holiday into a secular festival containing elements of the potlatch and Bacchanalia.

Editorial writers know from long experience dating back to Gutenberg's invention of the printing press that they can't change human nature. But there is something faintly repugnant about watching people stagger out of liquor stores laden with a case or so of hard liquor. Like crazed squirrels we stock up on rum, rye, gin, vodka and scotch to please the varied tastes of Christmas guests.

Our hospitality not only punishes their livers, but puts them in potential danger of a \$2,000 fine for impaired driving and perhaps worse. This is not goodwill towards men.

So why not serve wine? Unless it is fortified sherry or port, wine contains less than one-third the amount of alcohol by volume found in hard spirits. It is a drink that has refreshed mankind long before that first Christmas Eve in a crowded Bethlehem inn.

Yet our munificent government, through its liquor administration branch, looks on wine as just another chunk of merchandise to be turned over as fast as possible.

Unlike neighboring Alberta where the government ordered lower mark ups on wine to encourage moderate drinking, B.C. tacks 117 per cent on imported wines and more than 60 per cent on the local product. This results in B.C. wines being cheaper in Alberta than on their native soil. Imported wines are as much as \$5 per bottle cheaper in Alberta.

International wine consultants and author Leon Adams, in Vancouver earlier this week to sample the domestic product, said local wines cost too much because government taxes are too high, sometimes more than what the growers get.

Succeeding governments and commercial greed have mismanaged what could

be a large primary and secondary B.C. industry. For example government advised growers to plant hybrid grapes — crosses between the North American labrusca and the European vinifera varieties. The resulting wine has some modest merit, but a hybrid has yet to be produced that is as palatable as the European strains.

Why this bad advice when New York state's Dr. Constantin Frank years ago grafted cold resistant Canadian root stock to European vinifera vines and is now producing excellent varietal wines in an area where winter temperatures approach 20 degrees below zero Fahrenheit?

In B.C. only Casabello wines of Penitence took a chance on vinifera grapes and is now producing some of the best wines in the province if not Canada. Its Canadian burgundy at \$2.45 is not a great wine by any means, but I wouldn't turn it down with a chunk of old cheddar on a west coast beach. Their pinot noir at \$3.75 per bottle is expensive, and needs some aging, but it would complement a medium rare T-bone.

And Victoria's own Jordan label produces a respectable white chardonnay that would grace a Christmas turkey. Their grey riesling wouldn't do a poached sole any harm either.

Still, the local industry has a long way to go, thanks in part to shortsighted government policies, including artificial protection which the industry has enjoyed as Canadian palates switched to European table wines despite terrible prices.

Compare a Casabello zinfandel with California's Sebastiani zinfandel. The California wine with its deep hue wings hands down on color alone. Jordan's chardonnay is thin and flaccid compared with Wente Bros. California pinot chardonnay, a wine that has the powerful vinosity of a good French Meursault. It is also about twice the price.

But don't misinterpret these comparisons. The local industry is still in its infancy. It's attempts at making vinifera wines are only a few years old. Her-

mitage, one of the Rhone Valley's most famous vineyards, was planted by a returning crusader.

Good wines take time, and given new fermentation techniques, B.C. wineries could be producing at least a few wines if international calibre within a decade. Even now Casabello, Andre's and Jordan deserve a toast for recent efforts.

Certainly any of the aforementioned wines are better than the cheap French wines available here. By cheap, I mean around the \$3 mark, since the LAB jacks up the price well over 100 per cent. Also, many of the cheaper French wines don't travel well, especially when the branch leaves them sitting in warehouses for months at temperatures around 70 degrees Fahrenheit.

The separation point between average to good foreign wine and fine wine comes between the \$5 and \$6 mark. Beyond that are the Fluries, Mercureys and Moulin a Vents, not to mention the few fine chateau wines from Bordeaux available here.

If your wallet is the equal of your palate, the Yates Street store now features a specialty section including some of the finest French burgundies available anywhere. La Tache 1972, for example, goes for a mere \$39. Three or four other Cote du Nuit burgundies would do very well with a haunch of venison or any great joint of red meat.

Fine burgundy will always be expensive because the supply is definite and demand is insatiable. Yet the utter robbery of our Liquor Administration Branch in charging more than \$11 for an anonymous non-vintage bottle of Pommard is nothing less than criminal.

When I squirt at the Christmas turkey through a glass of Montrachet, smuggled in from Alberta, I will be reminded of those bureaucrats and the succeeding governments that have legislated against moderate drinking in this province. G.R.O.

FRED CLEVERLEY

Expensive Parking Ticket

WINNIPEG — There's a standing joke, comic opera quality about any situation where someone takes a parking ticket to the supreme court. But just such a situation here has already cleared its first court hurdle and may upset an 86-year-old law which prohibits the use of any language other than English in Manitoba courts.

The consequences, particularly for Quebec's controversial Official Language Act, could be significant. Unknowningly, the man fighting the parking ticket may have accomplished what many people have wanted to do, and that is to get the act before the supreme court of Canada.

And if the subsequent appeals, which are almost guaranteed to take place, are successful, it may mean that the Hansard reports of the Manitoba legislature may have to be duplicated in French. To say nothing about the fate of a rather large sign which for years directed those entering the main law courts building in Winnipeg in two languages — English and Ukrainian.

At the centre of the fight is a rather burly St. Boniface insurance salesman, Georges Forest, a man who has often played the role of the master voyageur in that French-speaking suburb's winter "Festival du Voyageurs" celebration. He has appeared in voyageur costume, with snowshoes, at the provincial legislature to kick off the event.

Law of 1890

Early this year, Forest received a \$5 parking ticket. He refused to pay it, because it was printed in English only. He went to court, citing the City of Winnipeg Act, which provides that all city notices to residents of St. Boniface must be in both English and French. He lost that court fight, because the judge ruled that the parking ticket was not a city notice, but a court notice, and under provincial law passed in 1890 English only would be used in the records and journals of the legislative assembly of the province, and in any pleadings or process in or issuing from any court in the province of Manitoba.

Undaunted, Forest went back to court, this time challenging the validity of that provincial law and the power of the legislature of the day to pass it. His lawyer, Alain Hogue, filed his claim and the supporting documents, all in French, before county court judge Armand Dureault.

Judge Dureault's ruling, issued this week, upheld Forest and said that the Manitoba Official Languages Act was unconstitutional.

Judge Dureault also overruled the

crown's argument that an appeal could not be set until the court documents had been filed in English.

In his 29-page judgment, Judge Dureault quoted a 1949 article written by a recognized student of constitutional law, Professor F. R. Scott, who had noted that although Manitoba's Official Languages Act had never been tested in court, the legislature had probably not had the authority to pass it.

Considering the public sentiment in Manitoba concerning Quebec's Bill 22, which gives specific rights to the French language in that province, which widely exceed those given English by the rather ancient Manitoba legislation, a series of appeals could well result in a supreme court



ST. BONIFACE court case started here

ruling which could affect both pieces of legislation.

Apparently in question is the right of a provincial legislature to amend that part of the British North America Act which was invoked by the parliament of Canada in setting up a province in the first place.

The act of the Canadian parliament which created Manitoba in 1870 contained a clause which specified that the provisions of the British North America Act of 1867 shall, except those parts which may be held to be specially applicable to or only to affect one or more, but not the whole of the provinces, be applicable to the province of Manitoba.

The BNA Act, dealing with the language question, mentions only Quebec

as having the right to use two languages in its legislature, but does grant the right to its use by "any person or in any pleading or process in or issuing from any court of Canada established under this act."

One of the questions which appears is whether a provincial county court, or a provincial court of appeal, can be considered to have been established under the BNA Act, or under the provincial legislature governing the jurisdiction in which it is located.

So far one Manitoba judge has ruled that a parking ticket is a court document, rather than a city notice. Another judge has ruled that the man who got the ticket has the right to argue his case in court in a language which was in effect declared illegal for Manitoba court use 86 years ago and has not, until now, been challenged.

But the outcome may have consequences which reach far beyond Manitoba's borders, and may, in fact, provide a means of getting Quebec's controversial Bill 22 before the supreme court.

If it does, it is safe to say that it was not a prime motive of Forest to test the Quebec law. A few years ago, the Manitoba government, convinced that a Quebec law which effectively prohibited the shipment of eggs across provincial boundaries, a law which was hurting Manitoba egg producers, was unconstitutional.

Affects Quebec

Manitoba was unsuccessful in getting the Quebec law before the supreme court, so it passed a similar law itself, and manoeuvred its constitutionality before the supreme court. As it hoped, it lost, and with that defeat the Quebec law became ineffective and what was known as the "chicken and egg war" ended on the prairies.

If the Manitoba language law ends up in the lap of Canada's highest court, and if that court decides that Manitoba had the right, back in 1890, to effectively establish English as a provincial language, then the rest of Canada can have some degree of confidence that Quebec was well within its rights in making French the official language of that province.

If, however, the supreme court decides Manitoba exceeded its constitutional rights 86 years ago, Canadians must then believe that Bill 22, with all its consequences, is equally unconstitutional.

The decision could in fact throw a large-size monkey wrench into the federal government's bilingualism policy, which would be a pretty high price tag to pay for a parking ticket.

letters

Schools Crisis

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mike Hughes for his unbiased reporting concerning school district 61 (Schools Crisis Dec. 11).

My statements were not made just because of my position as the elected negotiator for school board employees, but also as a taxpayer in the Victoria area.

I do not intend to assume the responsibilities of either the trustees or administration in the proper operation of this school district. I do feel, however, that the public affected by the ever-increasing costs of education should know the whole story.

Unfortunately, I cannot completely inform the public of all aspects of school costs, only those areas in which I am involved and have knowledge of. I personally would like to know the full impact of school waste costs.

The day to day involvement of the employees of CUPE Local 382, which are related to myself, of duplication of jobs done is staggering. The costs must be equally so.

As a union representative, along with the other members of our local, we realize the wage costs of the teaching and non-teaching staffs are a very large part of the school budget. We take the brunt of public opinion during school disruptions, and rightly so, to a point.

We are willing to take our lumps and bumps when we are at fault, but from Mr. Hughes' story in the Times, you the public and taxpayers can plainly see this is not always the case. — Bob Cunningham, CUPE Local 382, 1343 Slater Street.

Right Man

It is rather a pity that the voters of B.C. have only a choice between a poor peoples' government and a government that makes people poor.

The B.C. Liberals deserted, and like a sinking ship can't stay afloat much longer.

It's left to the B.C. Conservatives to provide some sort of viable alternative if they can shake off their federal party bosses and bring some common sense into B.C. politics and the MLA for Oak Bay seems to be a shining example and the right man for the job. — B.C. Voter.

Harbour With A U

In the report on education (Move Early, Trustees Told) which appeared on the front page of the second section of the Times Dec. 13 under the byline of Mr. Mike Hughes, the name of our school appeared four times. It was spelled correctly once and incorrectly in the other three.

I am aware that the Canadian Press

stylebook, for reasons best known to its authors, recommends the adoption of Americanized spelling. However, may I point out that we use Canadian spelling and request that, in any future references to this school, its name be printed correctly, i.e. Harbour View School. — K. J. Bickmore, Principal, Harbour View School, 637 Head Street.

A Rotten Apple?

Ms. Robertson's Pauline exegesis in your Dec. 13 issue (letter, Women Priests) at once brings to mind Antonio's remarks to Bassanio in The Merchant of Venice, act one, scene three. — J. F. Hammett, 1731 Ash Road.

Editor's Note:

Mark you this, Bassanio. The devil can cite scripture for his purpose. An evil soul producing holy witness is like a villain with a smiling cheek. A goodly apple rotten at the heart. O what a goodly outside falsehood hath!

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'Let's End the Confrontations'

By RENE LEVESQUE

(An excerpt from a statement made by the Quebec Premier to the federal-provincial first ministers' conference in Ottawa Monday)

It is very significant in my view that this conference is opening on a note of profound disagreement between the provinces on one side and the federal government on the other.

By now, such disagreements are more or less run-of-the-mill. But the matter takes on considerably more significance the moment we analyze what the disagreement is about. We can then see the extent to which our federal structure is out of phase with the demands of present-day reality.

Until now, the finance ministers have discussed only one thing: How to maintain the status quo in the future. That is to say, how to administer the present system of equalization payments, how to organize financing of cost-sharing programs already in operation, and how to preserve the revenue guarantee system which was set up as a result of the 1972 reform.

Roughly speaking, the provinces' common position is intended, as a modest minimum approach, only to maintain the present situation over the next few years. On the contrary, the federal government is attempting to take advantage of the new agreements which had in fact been guaranteed.

If it remains impossible, after nearly a year of discussion, to come to an agreement between Ottawa and the provinces on matters such as these, one wonders how it would ever be possible, without completely changing the political context, to come to grips with more important issues such as major taxation and financial rearrangements that would enable the provincial governments and more particularly Quebec, to deal with the pressing needs of their citizens and municipalities.

What the federal proposals on tax structures make clear is that Ottawa has decided to keep for itself almost all of the increases in tax resources, so as to be the only government with the necessary funds to deal with new needs and, as a result, the only one with all the leeway for initiative in setting the direction of government activity. Ottawa would even be tempted to go on a spree — at least so the federal Ministry of

Finance has hinted — with our guarantee payments, money which, strictly speaking, does not even belong to it!

Now, we have to point out that this is a terribly strongly rooted tendency in Ottawa. I am personally in a very good position to remember the Sixties, when these same questions were, and had long been, the subject of endless debate. At that time, after rather lively exchanges of opinions, there had finally been arrangements that were supposed to become permanent and lead to a real decentralization of powers following a period of transition.

I am thinking, among other things, of the joint programs from which Quebec alone at the time wanted to withdraw. Well, the famous transition period isn't over yet, and it has taken a good 12 years, from 1964 till now, to more or less complete that disengagement of our powers from rules laid down by the federal government.

And that was the period dur-

'Ottawa Usurped Whole Series Of New Powers'

ing which Ottawa found the time to claim, confirm or usurp for itself a whole series of new powers. For example, it created such new departments as regional economic expansion, environment, consumer and corporate affairs, urban affairs, communications, science and technology. Of course, several provinces reacted by setting up equivalent organizations, not only in order to deal with spheres of activity that concerned them, but also, if not chiefly, to safeguard as best they could the constitutional responsibilities Ottawa was threatening to confiscate.

From all this has resulted an ever-increasing federal penetration into many new social, economic and cultural fields. On the basis of pretexts or precedents, Ottawa has moved into a position of claiming responsibilities or powers that had not previously been

acknowledged as belonging to it, for no other reason than the fact that it is now spending money in those areas.

Let us return now to this conference and to the topic which since last week has constituted the other point of disagreement: Revenue guarantees.

In view of the reports I have received, I wonder if it is even worth the trouble to discuss the subject. How could we, as first ministers, possibly be more convincing than our finance ministers were?

This revenue guarantee system has been since 1972 an essential condition of permanent tax reform resulting from the Carter report. One would have us believe today that these guarantees, which were justifiably demanded by the provinces and granted by the federal government, were supposed to be only temporary and limited to five years.

Beyond these considerations, something stands out clearly in the development of Quebec and the people of Quebec in the last 30 years: Quebec has always opposed with all the means at its disposal (and most of the time, in vain) the centralization of powers and resources in the hands of a government in which its representatives are and always will be a minority. Everything I have said until now, and also the fact of aligning ourselves with the provinces' consensus on tax arrangements, carries on a historical continuity and reflects the unchanging attitude of the Quebec governments that preceded this one.

But, whatever some people hear or are led to believe, the mandate we received last Nov. 15 is not solely a mandate to maintain this continuity. In spite of all the usual assaults of propaganda, in spite of a long conditioning to the political status quo, a solid plurality of voters, including a majority of French-speaking Quebecers, believed in the need for a fundamental change.

We have stated clearly, and I wish to repeat it, that we do not claim to see this vote as a

mandate for Quebec's independence. Our commitments are clear on this point: When the time comes, it will be up to the public, and to them alone, to decide the issue in a referendum.

But it would take minds set in an unbending view of political reality not to see that there has been an extremely rapid change in Quebec society. Quebec has been engaged for the last 15 years in redefining itself as a community and, therefore, its relationship with others.

This redefinition began and is gathering momentum through what are essential democratic means, chief among which has been the founding, development and now the coming to power of a party which has never hidden its true colors on the basic issues.

Such a dynamic development obviously has caused and still

does cause some apprehension, especially to those who do not understand it. But, it now appears to be irreversible.

For this reason, without taking too much of the time of this conference, I feel I must take advantage of my first opportunity to address the political leaders of the federation, to ask that they, and all Canadians, understand the development of Quebec and the positive spirit in which we see the future of our relations taking shape.

In no way do we see these relations in the perspective of recurrent confrontations which have become more or less that of the present system and which too frequently produce hostility out of misunderstanding.

On the contrary, it is precisely in order to do away with this confrontation once and for all that we propose not to destroy, but to adjust the political institutions to the dynamic reality of Quebec as well as to the true Canadian reality.

We are indeed convinced that the new type of relations we envisaged and which we will

reformulate at the appropriate time will improve matters not only for us but also for all our neighbors because it will be more consistent with the deep and normal leanings of our societies.

We believe that Canada and English-speaking Canadians are capable of accepting such a perspective that would make it possible in a different setting not to isolate ourselves from each other, nor to continue to harass each other with artificial issues like bilingualism, but rather to differentiate political institutions which should be different, while maintaining and even expanding all types of co-operation and exchanges that are mutually beneficial to us.

In the coming months, in preparation of the democratic consultation to which they will be called, we will take special care to fully inform fellow-citizens in Quebec on all aspects of this issue. To the extent possible, we will also enter into a dialogue with Canadians in the rest of the country according to the perspective I have just drawn.



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Public Must Demand to be Present

By GEOFFREY STEVENS
The Globe and Mail

OTTAWA — History — of an unhappy sort — was made this week. The 11 first ministers of Canada gathered for their briefings and their advisers and fled from a federal-provincial conference Monday because the press corps refused to allow them to conduct their business the way they wanted — in camera, rather than on camera. By pre-arrangement, they dashed upstairs to another meeting room, leaving 200-odd reporters, photographers and technicians to mill about in the main chamber of the Government of Canada Conference Centre.

The incident reflects no credit on the news media. It should not have happened, yet it was inevitable that it would happen sooner or later.

There are three points which I feel ought to be made. First, in principle, all federal-provincial conferences should be held in public. Obviously, there will be times and there will be issues — some of the intricate negotiations going on this week over the transfer of tax points may be one such instance — when the leaders of the 11 governments will need to talk privately. But there is no reason why conferences cannot be open, with the first ministers free to go into closed executive session when they feel it is necessary to put the finishing touches to an agreement.

Closed meetings have become the rule, rather than the exception. This has occurred at a time when the federal-provincial conference has to a very considerable degree — I think to an alarming degree — supplanted Parliament as the supreme deliberative body in the country. The people have a right to be witnesses to debates which intimately affect them, their lives and their livelihoods. They have a right to better information than they

go that far — Charles Lynch, president of the Parliamentary Press Gallery, Ron Collier of the Toronto Sun (and formerly of the CBC), and Marjorie Nichols of the Vancouver Sun. (She had, she said, promised her editors that she would behave in a ladylike fashion — i.e., if forcibly evicted from the room, she would shout only such four-letter words as were mild enough to be printed in her newspaper.) Most of the rest of us stayed to see what would happen, to see if the prime minister would summon the Mounties to clear the room. As it turned out, he was too smooth to try that.

Perhaps the most important point to be made about the confrontation is that it did not really concern this week's conference. Everyone, however, knows that tax points are only a prelude to far more crucial negotiations over the distribution of economic and political power, indeed over the very

structure of the Canada of the future. It is the first ministers, not Parliament or provincial legislatures, who will be making the decisions that will either keep the country together or cause it to fall apart.

The Canadian people have a right to be present when the future of their country is being determined. That's the principle the journalists were trying to establish Monday. They failed and they will continue to fail unless and until the public demands to be present. They will fail until more premiers see it the way New Brunswick's Richard Hatfield does. Someone asked him whether he thought constitutional changes should be discussed in secret. "Not any more," he said.

Not any more is right. The election of a separatist government in Quebec has changed the whole incestuous closed-conference game.

Some Loose Talk for the Animals

By JUDITH MARTIN
Washington Post

Communication between animals and human beings has been going on pretty well for centuries now, with the humans saying "Heel!" and the animals saying "Gee, you're terrific." But there have been suggestions lately that we could do better. An insect specialist attending the recent convention of the Entomological Society of America in Honolulu let out that he has discovered the chemical insects use to signal one another. The obvious next step is to use this by filling their air waves with our commercials.

Ants and aphids put out pheromones to alert one another of "danger, the presence of food or perhaps the availability of a mate," said L. R. Nault of Ohio State University, and some also react to pheromones put out by creatures belonging to different species.

Thus, if you know of an available mate

for a shy but sensuous middle-aged ant, for instance, you could convey this information with pheromones or by writing the phone number in lipstick on the ant's wall. But Nault suggests that this power can be used for more hostile messages, along the lines of: "Get the hell off my crop."

Meanwhile, a biologist from Rockefeller University has written a book, *The Question of Animal Awareness*, which proposes that we may be underestimating the sophistication of animal intellect. If an animal just stands there at the edge of the party, eating cashews and saying nothing all evening, it doesn't mean he's a dumb

Donald R. Griffin argues that animals have complicated ways of communicating which could, in some instances, reveal abstract thinking, advance planning, esthetic sense and other qualities occasionally exhibited by our neighbors.

Putting together these two thoughts, the possibility arises that we could plug ourselves into animal communication (a subtle and complex sort, not just to fool up more creatures, but to enjoy the exchange of ideas. The thoughts other animals have on such subjects as the generation gap, how much love is enough and whether the winters are getting colder could be fascinating).

Or we might go to all the trouble of listening in on their conversations, only to find that they are busy talking to their plants.



STRAY FEATHERS
harold hosford

By the time you read this — barring intervention from a higher authority — Victoria's birdwatchers will be putting the finishing touches to another Christmas bird count.

The official finish will come when darkness interferes with seeing, but a few of the more dedicated among the local avian aficionados will carry on after dark wailing owls. But, by late tonight, the final figures should have been tallied and, if I don't miss my guess, foremost in the thoughts of many taking part will be that perennial question, "I wonder how Vancouver did?"

For years the Garden City reigned supreme among Canadian cities taking part in this annual North American bird counting bing. We always came up with the highest number of species seen. But that changed a few years ago when Vancouver, apparently awakening from its long sleep in the shadow, marshalled its immense manpower (and womanpower) and gently nudged us aside to take over first place.

Since then a friendly competition has prevailed between the two cities with Victoria having to settle for second place most of the time — a close second sometimes — but second just the same.

Friendly competition between cities at Christmas bird count time is not unique to Canada's west coast. Nearly every province has its own version, all of them designed, I suggest, to take some of the disappointment away from the knowledge that they can never best their west-coast brethren when it comes to totting up birds at Christmas.

Edmonton and Calgary are Alberta's representatives in this friendly game. They annually change places in the foothill sweepstakes, with Edmonton up one year and Calgary the next. Either way, their figures are never impressive, with 35 to 45 species being the best they can do against our 130 to 140.

But farther east, in Saskatchewan and Manitoba, the disparity in numbers becomes ever greater. Regina — with about 40 species — usually manages to beat out Saskatoon, mostly on the basis of some highly questionable waterfowl that winter in the open water of Wascana Lake.

Manitoba's competition — it's a three-way fight in the Keystone Province — usually finds Winnipeg on top with between 25 and 30 species but Oak Lake and Pinawa are in at the finish often enough to keep the gang from the Peg on their toes.

Who Will Top Christmas Count?

Moving on to Ontario, the picture becomes a bit confused with several potential winners in line but with one — Long Point on Lake Erie — leading the way in recent years. But Hamilton, Toronto, and lately, Rondeau Provincial Park, are also potential leaders, all of them being within a species or two of first place in most years. The southern Ontario totals usually range between 90 and 100 species.

Things begin to drop off again as we move into La Belle Province. Here Ottawa shows its colors by affiliation with Hull, and thereby Quebec, instead of Ontario. But it's a winning combination. Their 70 to 80 species is good for first place regularly in Quebec; in Ontario such figures would put them back in the pack.

Moving into the Maritimes, New Brunswick's perennial leader — they usually only manage four entries in the national race — is that great birding spot Cape Tormentine on Northumberland Strait where, even in winter, the birding is good. The Cape's totals run from 45 to 55, depending on the year. One year, when Cape Tormentine had its back turned, Sackville slipped in for a temporary taste of glory with a respectable 47 species.

In Nova Scotia, where nearly 20 communities (third among the provinces) take part in this annual bird-counting madness, Halifax takes the honors hands down; mind you they have their competition but Halifax can't lose no matter how the totals come up. You see, the local binocular clan has divided the city into east and west Halifax and between the two they divide the spoils with one half winning one year, the other the next, or, as happened in 1973, they agreed to tie.

A Halifax Christmas bird count, whether east or west, can usually dig up about 80 species.

Prince Edward Island, with only two places reporting, and a high of about 30 species in any year, divides the spoils between Hillsborough and Prince Edward Island National Park.

When you get to Newfoundland things become really confused. There, apparently they even have trouble counting the communities involved with three or four being an average but a high of 31 recently raised some doubts as to whether there were that many communities on the island. At any rate, three or 31, St. John's takes the accolades regularly with 35 to 40 species.

So, of about a hundred counts taken in Canada every year, Victoria still rates second highest in the land. But, just this once, couldn't we be highest again?

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MONTREAL (CP) — More than a few heads were turned this fall when the Bay — or La Baie as the department store chain is also known in Quebec — launched its new English-language advertising campaign on Montreal television stations.

Visually, the advertisements were fairly innocuous, featuring the usual parade of satisfied-looking customers. And nothing in the soundtrack was particularly jarring either.

At least not until the final notes of the jingle faded away with the words "It's bound to be at The Bay ... ou presque."

The phrase is an adaptation of the chain's older slogan, "Ask us for anything ... almost," with the substitution of "almost" with its French equivalent "ou presque."

What really attracted attention were two lines spoken off camera after the slogan.

"What's this 'ou presque' inquires a confused and somewhat indignant male voice.

"Don't you like a little French?" purrs back a woman's voice in a sugary

French accent vaguely reminiscent of Catherine Deneuve in her perfume ads.

The ad may not delight ardent women's liberation advocates, but Richard Soly, the store's Montreal-region sales promotion manager, says it has definitely succeeded in making English-speaking Montrealers aware of The Bay.

"It's one of the most attention-getting slogans ever to hit the city," Soly said proudly in a recent interview.

He admitted there had been some complaints about the ad, adding: "In the retail business you get complaints for opening the store at 9:30 in the morning."

Soly, who worked closely with The Bay's Montreal advertising agency, Dialogue Communications PGP Ltd., said the exchange at the end of the ad was designed as a humorous way of focusing attention on the new slogan and its French kicker.

Leaving the slogan simply at "It's bound to be at The Bay" made it sound "as though we think we're perfect," he said. "We prefer to be a little humble."

But keeping the old English send-off, "or almost" made no sense grammatically, so "ou presque" was tacked on.

Using the French phrase also added flair to the slogan, Soly said. "No one had ever done anything similar."

The version of the ad with the male-female exchange is no longer on the air, but Soly said a market survey showed that people did in fact think it was different.

The campaign symbolizes the complete turnaround in the store's marketing philosophy from the days when, known as Morgan's and owned by the family of the same name, it catered to an upper-income, predominantly-English clientele, known as the "carriage trade."

"We've changed our image completely," acknowledged Soly, who has been with The Bay more than eight years.

He explained that the store decided years ago to opt for "better appeal for bargains and good value rather than for exclusivity."

The transition was slow in coming, even after the Win-

nipeg-based Hudson's Bay Company, seeking to penetrate the Eastern market, bought out the Morgan family's department stores in the early 1960s.

The name of the Montreal flagship store and six suburban branches was not changed to The Bay until 1972. In Toronto, where Morgan's was less well-established, the name change occurred about two years earlier.

Big inroads have been made into the French market with the help of an extensive advertising campaign started two years ago, spearheaded with the phrase "Demandez-nous n'importe quoi ... ou presque" — the direct ancestor of the old and new English slogans.

The store has also succeeded in attracting more young customers than ever before, through advertising and the creation of a variety of small boutiques within the department store.

Soly said it was too early to gauge the effects of the new television campaign on its share of the English market, but he is optimistic.

Potash 'Robbery' Blasted

TORONTO (CP) — Mining executive H. Ronald Fraser said Thursday governments must understand the cyclical character of the mining industry and allow it to earn seemingly high profits in one year to "sustain us for a period of three or four years."

Fraser, chairman of Hudson Bay Mining and Smelting Co. Ltd., said mining is a high-risk business that has averaged a return on investment of only 7.6 per cent in recent years compared to a national average return of 7.1 per cent for manufacturing industries.

"An industry that has seen copper prices running between 55 and 70 cents for two years, while costs have been climbing like never before has got to see some good years just to stay in business," he said in a speech to the Toronto branch of the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.

He was referring to the recent wide fluctuations in world copper prices. "But what other industries have to face the risks and responsibilities that the mining industry faces in earning this modest return."

Price ranges in the industry can vary more than 300 per cent within a year, yet mining has been harassed with "discriminatory taxation and expropriation."

In an obvious reference to Saskatchewan's policy to take over part of the potash mines in that province, Fraser said the federal government should restrain "the provinces" from the sort of robbery under law we have recently seen.

Hudson Bay Mining operates a major potash mine in Saskatchewan.

He said if Ottawa cannot restrain the provinces, "maybe they should extend the insurance facilities of the Export Development Corp. to protect Canadian mining companies investing in Canada."

He said any fiscal policy by governments must recognize the fundamental nature of the industry "and the need for incentives, rather than disincentives."

Sales Tax Cut Urged To Halt Jobless Spiral

By THE CANADIAN PRESS
 More evidence that Canada faces a sluggish economic performance next year came this week with one economist calling for a reduction in provincial sales taxes to halt an inevitable rise in the jobless rate.

"It now seems virtually certain that this year's modest economic performance will not be matched in the year ahead and that means, among other things, that unemployment will probably continue to rise," said Robert Baguley, senior economist with the Royal Bank of Canada.

The Royal Bank's Trendicator fell in the third quarter which suggests slower growth and higher unemployment in 1977.

Earlier, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce economic indicator reported a

drop in its index, the first time it had not shown an increase since 1974.

In the meantime, the Canadian dollar recovered somewhat from a three-to-five-cent drop in terms of United States funds, but its lower value will mean higher prices for many commodities.

As to the recent buffeting of the Canadian dollar, Forest Rogers, economist with the Bank of Nova Scotia, warned that businessmen should be prepared for wide fluctuations in the currency.

He said the dollar could drop to as low as 90 cents next year if the worst fears of economists are realized.

Rogers was chairman of a panel this week, sponsored by the Board of Trade of Metropolitan Toronto, that discussed Canada's economic outlook for 1977.

Most panel members agreed that Canada will do well to have a four-per-cent growth next year.

Judith Maxwell, director of economic policy for the C. D. Howe Research Institute, said she was not forecasting economic stagnation in 1977.

"But I do believe the risk is there and I think we should be doing some serious thinking about what our response to stagnation should be."

She called for a slash of one or two percentage points in provincial sales taxes by late January or early February. Such a move would place up to \$1.5 billion into the hands of consumers.

She said this would increase the purchasing power of the consumer, help restore confidence and reduce the rate of increase in prices.

"We used to think that six per cent unemployment was too high," she said. "Now we seem to be immune to 7.5 per cent. Will we revert to the 1930s attitude that anyone who is unemployed is socially inferior?"

AMC OPTIMISTIC

KELOWNA (CP) — William Pickett, president and general manager of American Motors (Canada) Ltd., said while in Kelowna for a two-day visit that he was optimistic about the future of Canada's automobile industry.

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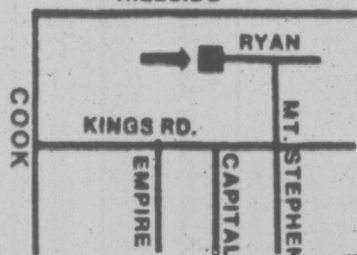
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M-B NAMES NEW FORESTRY CHIEF

VANCOUVER (CP) — The appointment of John St. C. Ross as group vice-president, forestry and building materials, of MacMillan Bloedel was announced Friday.

Ross succeeds J. R. Forrest who is leaving M-B to become senior vice-president, timber and wood products, of Boise Cascade Corp. of Boise, Idaho.

Ross' appointment is effective immediately. Forrest has agreed to stay with the company until Jan. 31 to help with the transition.

Ross has been with MacMillan Bloedel since 1963 when he was named controller of the wood products group. He was born in Montreal and took a degree in mechanical engineering from

McGill University. He also holds a master's degree in business administration from the University of Western Ontario.

Ross, 44, has been manager of M-B's aspenite division at Hudson Bay, Sask., manager

of specialty production in Vancouver, general manager of Kingsway Lumber — an M-B sales and marketing subsidiary in Toronto — and general manager of the Ontario region of MacMillan Bloedel Building Materials.

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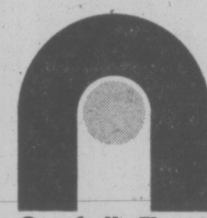
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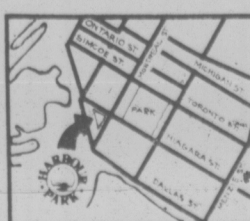
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TRADE RESTRAINT TRIAL

Car Part Surcharges Detailed

The former parts manager of a Port Alberni car dealership said Friday in B.C. Supreme Court in Victoria he was told that other dealers in B.C. applied surcharges to parts and accessories.

Norman Unger, parts manager at Katla Chevrolet-Oldsmobile Ltd. for almost 10 years until he left last year, said he was told this by company president Leo Katla.

He agreed that when Katla suggested the 10-per-cent surcharge, he also said the practice was followed in Vancouver and other locations.

Unger agreed that surcharges were added by "other dealers on the West Coast."

He said "it could have been, yes" when asked if surcharges elsewhere could have been 15 or 20 per cent.

Unger completed his testimony at the half-way point of the two-week trial of five Port

Alberni companies accused of restraint of trade between 1967 and 1972. The defence is expected to open its case when the trial, before Mr. Justice J. G. Ruttan, resumes Monday.

Chatwin Motors Ltd., Katla Chev-Olds (formerly Grant Katla Motors Ltd.), Meyers Holland Motors (Port Alberni) Ltd., Ohs Brothers Motors Ltd. and Western Motors Ltd. are charged in the three-count indictment laid under the Combines Investigation Act.

Two of the companies, Meyers Holland and Ohs Brothers, now are merged as Western Motors.

Forty-nine exhibits have been entered in the case, including a number of invoices and documents seized by combines investigators from premises of the companies in August, 1972.

Unger agreed with R. W. Lusk of Vancouver, counsel for the dealers, that before November, 1968, the parts return policy of Katla Chev-Olds involved individual decisions on whether or not to levy a penalty for late return and that nothing really changed in the period up to 1971.

Shown several invoices, he said a "credit" stamp indicated no penalty was levied.

The three-per-cent freight charge was levied to try to recoup some of the freight costs which "about doubled" in 1967, he said.

He agreed the object of the three-per-cent levy was to recover some of these freight costs.

Unger also agreed he opposed the 10 per cent surcharge because he believed it was bad business because he

didn't think the company could add this charge and continue selling products against competitors in the wholesale and service station area.

David McAllister, a combines investigation officer from Ottawa, presented summaries of invoices where he had been able to also match up the manufacturers suggested price list.

For Katla Chev-Olds, he said his summary showed the first 10-per-cent surcharge occurred Aug. 21, 1968, and it was "fairly consistently" applied until April, 1970. From then until November, 1970, it was not applied.

The surcharge was reapplied in December, 1970, "pretty well" until July, 1972, and "fairly consistently" applied.

There were some parts the 10 per cent was not applied to,

generally mufflers and tail pipes. The surcharge applied mostly to body parts such as mouldings, hoods and grills.

For Western Motors and Meyers Holland, he said he didn't have a price list to compare invoices with before Dec. 2, 1968, but from that date to July 14, 1972, the 10-per-cent surcharge was "added fairly consistently" except that bumper prices were lower than the suggested manufacturers list price.

For Chatwin Motors, the summary indicated no surcharge for the period May to July, 1968, but then the 10 per cent was applied "quite consistently" until July 26, 1972, except for mufflers and tail pipes.

Cross-examined by Lusk, he agreed there were a lot of discrepancies in the 10-per-cent levy but the "margin of error was quite small, one or two per cent."

He agreed that "quite possibly" the surcharge actually was in a range of eight to 12 per cent.

There were "minor discrepancies" of "three cents here, four cents there" in the application of the three-per-cent freight charge.

Tofino Flats Reserve To Halt Developers

By HUMPHRY DAVY
Times Staff

The executive director of the B.C. Wildlife Federation said Friday many Tofino residents have misunderstood a proposal to establish a wildlife management area on the mudflats at nearby Browning Passage.

Bill Otway of Vancouver said he doesn't rule out the possibility the misunderstanding was deliberately promoted by "rip-off developers" who aren't interested in preserving the wildlife habitat.

"The purpose of the order-in-council," he said, "is to give the provincial wildlife branch some control over developments which would pollute or destroy the wildlife habitat."

"It is not, as so many residents appear to think, to create a wildlife sanctuary banning hunting or the commercial harvesting of shellfish," he said.

The mudflats around Tofino are resting and feeding areas for migratory waterfowl and well-known to hunters and sport fishermen.

Otway's observations fol-

lows a public meeting in Tofino Tuesday when a wildlife branch official tried to explain the proposal. More than 300 residents attended and most were skeptical of the plan.

Basically, the proposal is to amalgamate several wildlife management reserves which have been placed on the mudflats by the branch since 1962.

Some additional mudflats would be included, involving an area of about nine square miles, all publicly owned.

The area would become a single wildlife management area. This means the wildlife branch would have some say if any proposal was submitted to the government to dredge the mudflats or to discharge raw sewage into the valuable waterfowl habitat.

The management unit would also ensure public access.

Many residents feared the proposal was to create a wildlife sanctuary, banning hunting and harvesting of shellfish.

The main opposition has come from developers and from McMillan and Bloedel which requested a small area be excluded from the management unit for booming grounds.

Another meeting with residents is planned in February.

Ald. Greg Trenholme of Tofino supports Otway's contention that there is a lot of misunderstanding about the management area proposal.

"Lots of people thought they were going to be restricted from the area," he said. "I don't know how this idea got around."

Darryl Heibert, regional wildlife biologist for Vancouver Island, who chaired the Tofino meeting, said he couldn't understand why there was so much misunderstanding.

"I don't know where the rumor started that we were going to ban hunters," he said.

BEFORE THE JUDGE

A charge which would have been two years old on Dec. 27 was read Friday in Victoria provincial court to a young man who took a \$2.18 bottle of shampoo Thursday from a drug store.

Leonard Van Heest, 19, also known as William Allan Fraser, of no fixed address, pleaded guilty to a charge of theft under \$200 in connection with the bottle of shampoo which was taken from Shoppers Drug Mart, 3575 Douglas.

Van Heest was fined \$100 by Judge William Ostler, who remanded him until next Wednesday for election on a breaking and entering charge.

The charge is in connection with a Dec. 27, 1974, break-in at 808 Princess, Victoria.

Van Heest was released on his undertaking to appear next Wednesday.

West Seat For CRTC?

OTTAWA (CP) — Communications Minister Jeanne Sauvé promised Friday to try to appoint a Western Canadian to the permanent membership of the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission when the next vacancy occurs.

She was replying to Benno Friesen (PC—Surrey—White Rock), who noted that the commission is charged with execution of national communications policies.

"Yet there is not one permanent member on that board west of the Lakehead," he complained.

James Donald Meanney, 22, whose last known address was a Victoria hotel, was remanded until Tuesday for election and bail hearing on an Oct. 27 charge of armed robbery of the Mixer Shop, 633 Courtney.

"Did you intend to drink this stuff?" Ostler asked.

"Yes," replied Leonard John Baronette, 35, of no fixed address.

Baronette, charged with shoplifting two bottles of shaving lotion valued at \$2.58 from Shoppers Drug Mart, 1302 Douglas, was remanded until Tuesday for plea on an application by legal aid lawyer Brian McKenzie.

However, Baronette reappeared before Ostler in the afternoon and pleaded guilty.

Ostler and Baronette engaged in a conversation concerning the Alouette River unit for alcoholics on the Lower Mainland before a 30-day sentence was passed.

Ostler suggested that Baronette did not want to go there because "it's too rough on you because you can't walk out."

Baronette said that he would rather go to another unit.

"Nobody can help you but you," Ostler finally said before handing down the jail term.

Manfred Brandl, 21, of 850 Admirals, was fined \$200 after pleading guilty to dangerous driving Oct. 21 in Esquimalt.

Crown counsel Robert Mulligan told the court Brandl was charged for 1.2 miles at speeds up to 70 miles an hour by Esquimalt police along Tillicum, Colville and Admirals through a red light and stop sign.

Ostler also ordered Brandl's licence suspended for two months.

Three separate preliminary hearing dates were set for Robin Lee McLean, also known as Robin Lee Burrows, 26, of 3103 Metcoshin.

April 5 was set for a preliminary hearing on a charge of possession of a stolen credit card, April 6 for a hearing on a charge of possession of stolen rings, and April 13 for hearing on charges of possession of two stolen revolvers and possession of a restricted weapon.

She was released Wednesday on \$2,000 surety bail.

Mark Bennett, 26, of 2551 Blackwood, entered not guilty pleas to three charges of assaulting a police officer, a charge of impaired driving and a charge of refusing to provide a breath sample on Dec. 12 in Victoria.

His trial was set for April 4.

A trial set for next Tuesday will not go on because of a change of plea on three of four charges.

Henri Joseph Desjardins, 22, of 2649 Sunderland Road, Langford, changed pleas through lawyer Bill Southward on charges of breaking and entering, theft, auto theft, and "unlawfully causing a fire wilfully that resulting in damage to property."

Following the change in pleas, Mulligan asked Ostler for a stay on a charge of arson, conviction for which carries a maximum sentence of 14 years.

The charges arose from a Nov. 6 incident at Reliable Transfer, 400 Hillside Avenue, where Desjardins was a part-time employee.

Desjardins had pleaded not guilty on Nov. 12 to all four charges and had elected trial by judge alone.

Ostler, taking into account Desjardins had already spent approximately one month in custody, sentenced him to four months in jail on each count, the sentences to run concurrently, and recommended the time he spent in a forest camp.

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The performance, which was given live in Victoria a year ago and taped by CBC for national broadcast, is conducted by Jon Washburn with tenor soloist Brian Trevor, the View Royal Elementary School Chorus whose director is Lorna Griffiths, and orchestra.

N.W.T. FIRES
WANTED MAN

YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T. (CP) — William James Doyle, a territorial civil servant facing extradition to the United States, has been dismissed, territorial deputy commissioner John Parker confirmed Thursday.

Doyle is alleged by RCMP to be George Fitzgerald Dinneen, 57, wanted in Orange County, Fla., on grand larceny charges involving embezzlement of \$80,000.

He was arrested here Dec. 2 and remained in custody until Dec. 8 when he was released.

PEARSE BRIEF
REPEAT ASKED

PRINCE GEORGE (CP) — Doug Little, vice-president of forest operations for Northwood Pulp and Timber Ltd., said Friday the 400-page Pearce Report, containing recommendations on forest resources, should be done again with co-operation from industrial foresters.

Little's company is opposed to recommendations in the report calling for a greater role for government foresters.

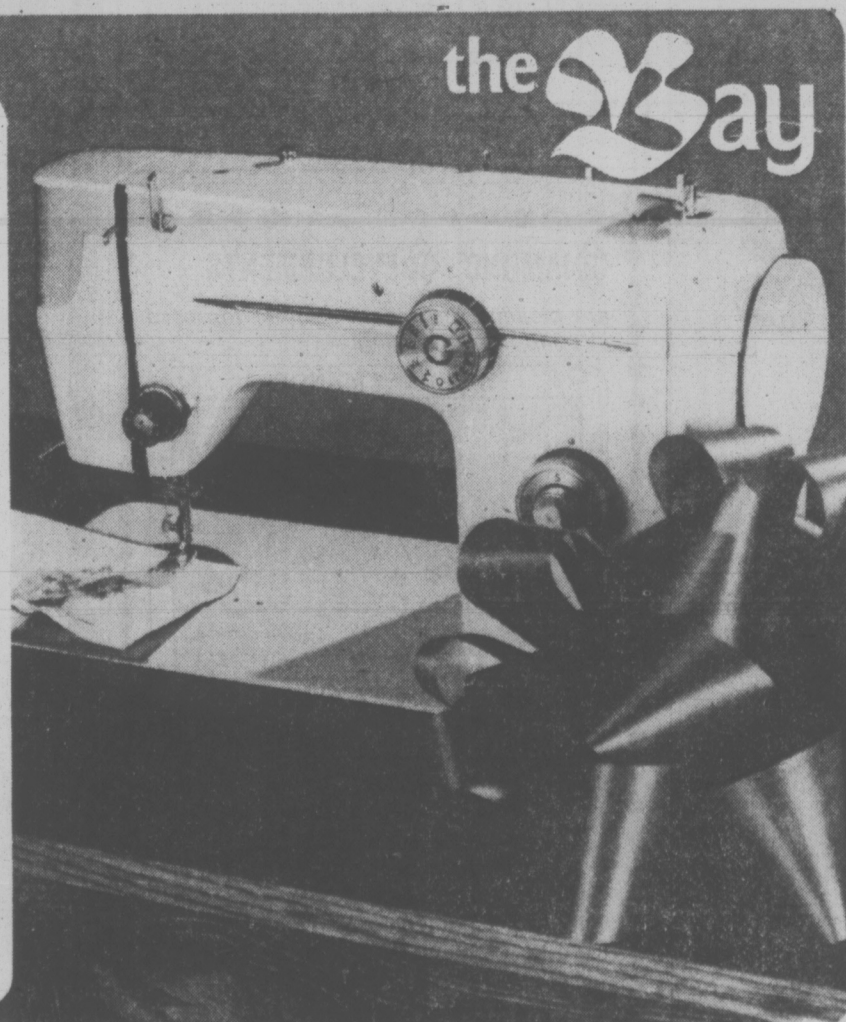
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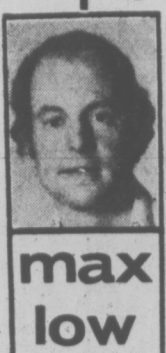
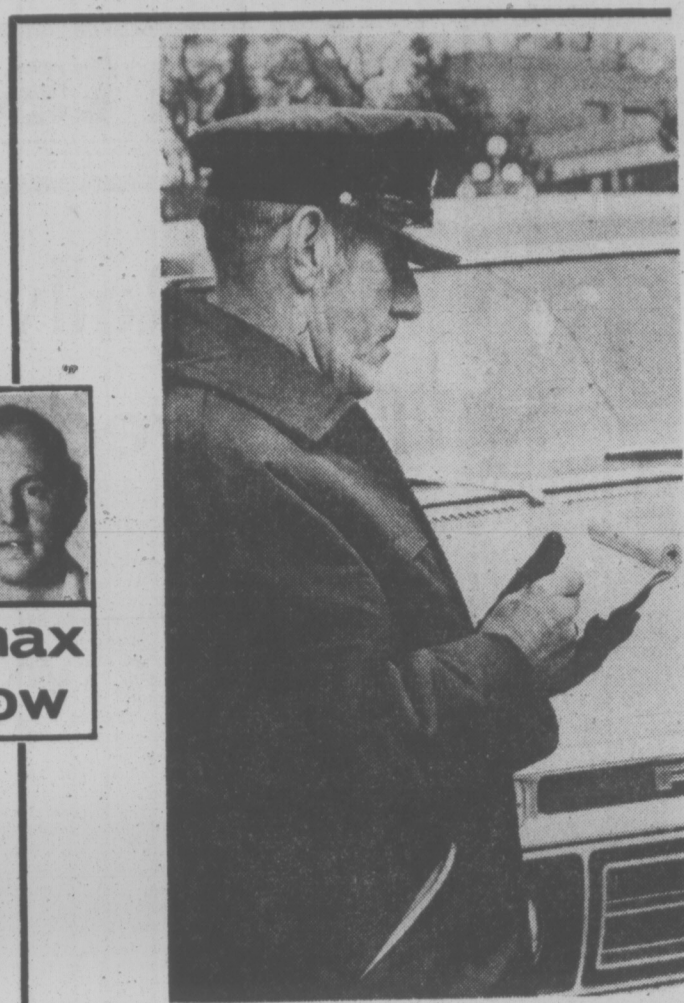
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New Howls Over Rollbacks

A decision by the Anti-Inflation Board to roll back 1975 pay awards of some police and fire departments has provoked a new round of protests.

The rollbacks, announced Friday, are:

Victoria police about five per cent, Oak Bay police about seven per cent, Esquimalt police about seven per cent.

Victoria firemen about four

per cent, Oak Bay firemen about eight per cent.

A meeting has been set with AIB officials in Victoria Jan. 10 but Victoria firemen say they probably will be on strike by then, which will be a further complication.

Union president Ross Cameron said the firefighters will strike Jan. 1 unless the city starts paying a 7.5 per cent interim wage agreement ordered by an arbitrator in a binding decision.

Cameron said the arbitrator

had granted Victoria firefighters parity with Vancouver but Victoria has refused to pay the additional funds, awaiting a final verdict from the AIB.

He said the Victoria firefighters are legally entitled to parity with Vancouver but, due to a combination of AIB orders and Victoria council decisions, the local firemen would be lucky to have parity with any of the other 35 fire units in the province next year.

For example, the rollback will give Victoria firemen less than those in Saanich. In addition, the Victoria firemen are in the second year under the AIB and will be entitled to only six per cent more next year, under AIB rules.

Meanwhile, Saanich firemen, who are receiving more because of the Victoria rollback, will be entitled to a further eight per cent increase (at least) in 1977 as they are only in their first year under the AIB. Saanich was in the

middle of a two-year contract when the AIB was formed in 1975 while Victoria was negotiating a new contract.

Cameron said that, in terms of wages, Victoria firemen ranked 11th (out of 36) in B.C. in 1974, slipped to 24th in 1975 and may fall to last place as a result of the AIB rollback.

"All this despite the fact a legal and binding award (under provincial legislation) has given us parity with Vancouver."

Phase-Out Proposed For Rental Controls

By AL FORREST

British Columbia landlords have asked the provincial government to begin phasing out rent controls in selected cities starting in 1977, Greater Victoria Apartment Owners Association president Les Litwin said Friday.

He said he is optimistic Premier Bennett's announcement this week that the 10.6

per cent limit on rent increases will carry over into next year will be a temporary measure only.

"We have made a presentation to the government asking that rent controls be phased out and we understand the government is actively studying our proposals."

Litwin said the landlords want rent controls to end but are proposing that the con-

trols be phased out, starting next year.

He said controls should be removed for apartments above a certain rent level in cities where the vacancy rate has risen to three per cent or more.

"These selected cities would include Victoria which is certain to have a vacancy rate of at least three per cent next year," Litwin said.

The rent level where controls would continue to apply would vary, depending upon the nature and size of the apartment unit.

In general terms, the idea would be lower this limit each year so that poorer people living in cheaper apartment units would be protected for the longest period of time.

However, the aim would be to end rent controls completely — but gradually — over a number of years.

"We must get back to a situation where rents are controlled by the market place and not by government," he said.

Government controls become meaningless in a situation where vacancy rates are high. In many cities, including Victoria, it will be impossible for most landlords to raise their rents 10.6 per cent next year because of the apartment surplus. It makes sense to begin discarding this rent control program, he said.

The apartment owners want

the controls rolled back in careful stages:

Step one would be to end the province-wide controls and replace them with specific regulations for each urban area.

Step two would be to locate cities where the vacancy rate was at least three per cent and begin to remove the controls in those cities. For example, the government might remove the controls on two-bedroom apartments renting above \$200 per month in that city. The \$200 figure is used as an example only as the specific numbers in the brief have not been released.

Step three would be to expand this program to other B.C. cities as soon as the vacancy rate hit three per cent, which is considered to be the minimum for the most efficient working of the marketplace system.

Step four, some months later, would be to reduce the rent level further. For example by making all two-bedroom apartments renting at \$180 or more (down from \$200) totally free of rent controls in the selected cities.

And finally, totally removing rent controls.

This program might take several years, Litwin said, but once achieved, the government should not return to a control program, no matter how tight the apartment supply became.

Safety Bonus Forms Sent

Single males under 25 in four rate classes have been mailed application forms for a safe-driving incentive grant, an Insurance Corporation of British Columbia official said Friday.

Norman Bortnick, corporation general manager, said drivers who feel they qualify must apply to receive their grant. Application forms will also be available at motorcycle branch offices.

Bortnick said the grant should not be confused with the 17.5-per-cent safe driving discount, which will be printed on the insurance renewal forms of those who qualify.

He said the grant could amount to a 25 per cent rebate for young male drivers who meet the requirements.

Christmas Spirit Among Meter Men? If There, It's Ruddy Hard to Detect

Talk about practising what you preach!

Around the corner from Fort into Quadra Street I strolled and there was this nasty little three-wheeled thing with a light on top and the words "City of Victoria Parking Enforcement" written on the side. And there it was, saucily parked in front of a meter that had expired!

I decided then and there I'd wait and ask the driver a few pointed questions hoping they might make him squirm and, thereby make up for all those times when I'd been made to go purple.

Times like the other day when, because there was nothing else to be found, I was foolish enough to park in one of those ridiculous 15-minute meter spots on Fort Street not far from Eaton's and Marks and Spencer's.

Now that was just long enough for me to get into Eaton's, try on a pair of trousers, peer at myself in a mirror and realize suddenly: My God, son, you've expired!

So I whipped those off, jumped back into my own and raced from the store still doing up the zip — only to find one of those ogres in black doggedly making out a ticket.

There was the time, too, that I'd cut it fine again and was hurrying along the sidewalk back to my car when I was stopped by a "Don't Walk" traffic light. Now I know my luck. If I had walked when it said "Don't Walk" then I would have copped it. That's the way things happen to me. But, while I was walking, one of those three-wheeled nasties zoomed up and the little man popped out and pinned on a ticket.

"And there was the time I stopped to make an urgent phone call and the only change I had on me was a dime. Alas, the meter had to starve.

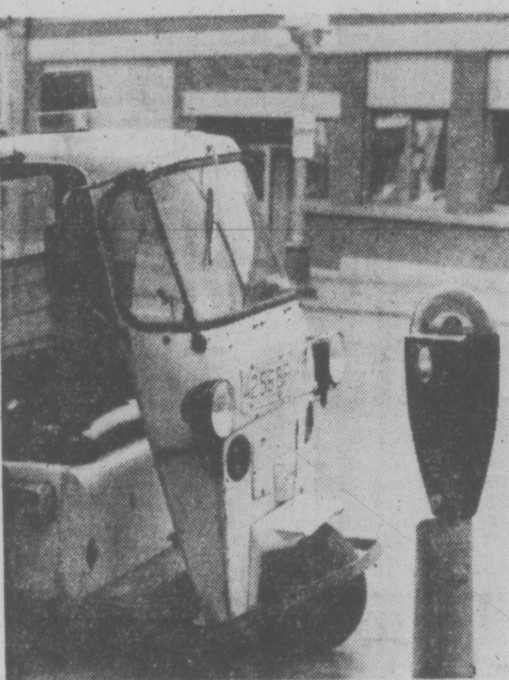
But I'd only spoken a few words and one of them showed up again!

I tried to tell the guy on the other end of the line that it was no longer such an urgent phone call, but he went on talking, anyway. And I signalled desperately through the phone box window that I was coming now. And please don't do it to me again.

It was all to no avail. He seemed oblivious to me, to the world, in fact. And just went on writing. It's a wonder they don't get writer's cramp.

Nothing stops them.

You can arrive back at your



Caught in the act . . . red flag up

car at almost the very moment they do but it doesn't help. You can dig deep into your pocket for the magic coin. You can apologize, promise never to let a meter expire again, curse them and go purple in the face. It doesn't matter.

Once they have started writing out one of those infernal things, they can't stop. It is a mechanical procedure. And we must feel sorry for them. They are driven.

Not even the Christmas spirit — elusive as it is — stops them.

Just the other day, I ventured downtown and looked for some of them, these meter monsters.

Wasn't there perhaps just a little easing of the hard-and-fast rules at Christmas? I asked the first meter man I came upon. You know, instead of a ticket, a gentle reminder and a Christmas wish. Goodwill to all.

Well, that first guy I stopped was a large, jolly man, a kind of Santa in black. Ho, ho, ho. And he laughed at my suggestion. That's the happiest he'd been all week. I made his day.

"I haven't heard of it if there is," he said and as we talked he walked and soon spotted a lovely expired meter he could jump on. Out came his little book of tickets and he began scribbling away.

"If they're taking it easier on motorists then it hasn't filtered down to me yet," he added. "And the thing is, you need the parking more at Christmas time. The sooner you get 'em moving the better, to give someone else a whack at it."

And so, though I knew I wouldn't accomplish much, I waited, by the three-wheeled nasty and its expired meter for the man who might, too, become one of the purple people. I waited and waited for him to come back and give himself a ticket. But, of course, he never did.

Boy! When these guys overtake, they really go whole hog.

Ask The Times

Q. Where could I obtain some smoked deer meat so my class of Grade 4s studying an Indian tribe could have the experience of eating one of the Indian's main foods? L.H.

A. Smoked deer meat was never a main food source on Vancouver Island. Smoking salmon is a practice shared by all the Westcoast tribes, but there was little, if any venison smoking.

Send your questions to Ask the Times, 2621 Douglas Street.

HELP SOUGHT IN HUNT FOR CANINE SURVIVOR

Could it be that the lone victim in Thursday's sea ditching of a passenger plane west of Victoria actually swam ashore — and is wandering lost somewhere around Rocky Point?

Dave Berridge, of 129 Bushby St. in Victoria hopes so, and hopes people will help in the search to find out.

When the AirWest Twin Otter float plane, trying to land at Victoria harbor in fog,

flew into the sea offshore and later sank, 14 passengers, the two pilots and a dog escaped and were picked up with only minor injuries.

Only passenger still unaccounted for is another dog, a springer spaniel cross named Rag last seen swimming strongly away from the sinking plane.

Berridge explained that Rag's owners in Vancouver had shipped their dog to him

to care for while they are away on holidays.

He's been told since that Rag swam north from the plane and avoided the rip tides around Race Rocks, she was certainly close enough to shore to make it.

Rag is seven years old, not the full size of a springer, black with white trim and wearing a choke chain collar with Vancouver licence tag. Berridge's phone number is 385-7418.

Honor Given Bird Artist

Fenwick Lansdowne, the Oak Bay artist with an international reputation for painting bird life, has been named an officer of the Order of Canada, Government House in Ottawa announced Friday.

He is the only local person among 64 new appointments to the order, five of them B.C. residents.

"It's a great honor and very kind of them," he said today.

He learned of the tribute by letter about a month ago.

Lansdowne, 38, lives at 681 Transit, Crippled by polio as a baby, he has walked with the help of crutches since he was a child.

Born in Hong Kong, he settled on Vancouver Island in 1948. The Provincial Museum sponsored the first major showing of his work at age 15 and about four years later the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto showed them.

He has four books published — Birds of the West, Birds of the Northern Forest and two volumes of Birds of the Eastern Forest.

There are three tiers or levels to the Order of Canada, with Lansdowne and 18 others named officers, the second level.

David Lewis, former leader of the New Democratic Party,

and Roger Rousseau, president of the executive committee for the Montreal Olympics, are the only two named companions of the order, the highest honor.

Also named officers were Dr. David Suzuki, zoology professor at the University of B.C., and Dr. J. G. Prentice of Vancouver, chairman of the board of Canadian Forest Products Ltd.

Among 43 people named members of the order are Vancouver pianist Frances M. Adaskin and Dr. Masajiro Miyazaki of Lillooet, a retired osteopath.

Air Canada Tightens Up on No-Shows at Christmas

Last-minute shoppers for plane reservations out of Victoria can probably still get a booking despite a record number of travellers this Christmas. Air Canada regional manager Glen Steeves said today.

"We are putting on extra flights and everyone who wants to travel should be able to get a seat," he said.

Passage is available because this year Air Canada strictly enforced a policy of confirming Christmas flights only when the ticket is purchased.

This reduces the no-shows

and cancellations, Steeves said.

While passage is available, it may not be at the time or on the day the traveller might prefer. However, they should still be able to reach their destination before Christmas.

Air Canada has put on six extra flights out of Victoria and 24 out of Vancouver for the Christmas-New Years period.

Pacific Western Airlines has put on 22 extra flights out of Victoria. Space is tight on PWA runs to Seattle but reservations can still be obtained on the Vancouver run for Christmas. PWA regional

sales manager Eric Carswell said.

Both airlines are encouraging travellers to try standby tickets on the flight they prefer because there will be a few cancellations at the last minute.

An increasing number of Victorians will be heading for sunshine but the majority are going home for Christmas, the airline spokesmen said.

The LTs (leisure travel) are usually older people who are heading for Hawaii or southern U.S. cities. A small number of young people are heading for skiing vacations.

The rest are VFRs (visiting family and relatives). For this group the main destinations are Calgary, Edmonton and Toronto. There is also heavy traffic from Victoria to the B.C. interior, Winnipeg, Ottawa, Montreal and Halifax.

A small number of Victorians will head home to the United Kingdom for Christmas and a few are visiting relatives in the United States.

The vast majority of those heading south are LTs.

Officials of airlines and travel agencies have noticed a sharp drop in the number of LTs going to Mexico, despite the bargain resulting from the devalued peso. This could be due to several factors, including travel fads, but there have been several news stories about rough treatment of visitors by police and jail officials in that country.

Florida, California, Arizona and Nevada are the popular U.S. destinations.

Meanwhile, B.C. Ferries are also bracing for the usual pre-Christmas rush.

There will be extra sailings immediately before Christmas and New Years Day.

On Thursday, Dec. 23, ferries will leave Swartz Bay at 7, 9, 11, noon, 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9.

Ferries leave Tsawwassen at 7, 9, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10.

The identical schedule will be in effect Friday Dec. 24.

On Saturday, Christmas Day, ferries will leave Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen at two-hour intervals on the odd hour from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Dec. 23 schedule will be repeated in both directions on Friday, Dec. 31, New Years Eve.

The Christmas schedule will be repeated on New Years Day.

Other ferry information can be obtained by phoning 386-3431.

The Air Canada number for reservations and information is 382-9242. It is in operation from 6 a.m. to midnight and company spokesmen urge people to phone early or late. The busiest time is mid-morning or in the late afternoon. Right after lunch or after supper is usually a slack time and callers should be able to get through.

For PWA reservations or information, the number is 388-5491. It is open from 5:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. the following day. Any time after 4 p.m. is considered slack time. Travel agents from B.C. and Alberta have some of the lines tied up during the day until that time.

Fighting Saints Float On \$200,000 Loan

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Mayor George Latimer announced an agreement Friday to keep Minnesota Fighting Saints of the World Hockey Association afloat for two weeks while local ownership for the team is sought.

Latimer said the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce

agreed to finance a \$200,000 trust fund to be handled by the mayor's office. Payments from the fund will include the team's \$123,000 payroll, which was due Friday, and rent to the St. Paul civic centre.

In return, club owner Nick Mileti of Cleveland agreed to drop a \$6.5 million lawsuit against the Chamber of Commerce and other St. Paul interests.

"We're going to have hockey for the rest of this month," Latimer said. The mayor said he will name a three-member committee to search for a St. Paul-based ownership group.

Latimer said that dismissal of the lawsuit "clears the deck" for a possible sale.

"Local ownership can only occur if fans turn out and show it's a viable investment," Latimer said. He said the agreement "will test in a professional way whether St. Paul wants hockey."

Despite Latimer's announcement, the future of the team after Jan. 1 remained uncertain.

HERMAN



"You don't mind if I smoke, do you?"

Juvenile Soccer Standings

Standings in the Vancouver Island Juvenile Soccer Association (including games played Dec. 11 and 12):

DIVISION 1A	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Gorge F.C.	4	3	0	1	7
Lakeland Rovers	4	2	1	1	5
Juan de Fuca	4	2	2	0	4
Gordon Head	4	0	4	0	0
Gorge Canadians	4	0	3	1	1

DIVISION 1B	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Cowichan	3	3	0	0	6
Landsdowne	4	2	1	1	5
Cordova Bay Rovers	4	2	1	1	5
Cordova Bay Chiefs	3	1	1	1	3
Gordon Head	4	0	4	0	0

DIVISION 1C	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Gordon Head	4	4	0	0	8
Prospect Lake	4	3	0	1	7
Duncan	4	2	0	2	4
Salt Spring	4	2	0	2	4
Bay United	4	0	4	0	0

DIVISION 2A	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Evening Optimists	12	9	2	1	19
Gorge F.C.	12	8	2	2	18
Lakeland Totem	11	6	3	2	14
Gordon Head	11	3	7	1	7
Duncan United	12	1	9	2	4
Juan de Fuca	7	1	6	0	2

DIVISION 2B	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Gordon Head	13	7	2	4	14
Bay United	13	5	5	3	13
Prospect Lake	13	2	9	2	6

DIVISION 2C	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Gorge Canadians	12	9	2	1	19
Peninsula Tigers	12	8	2	2	18
Bay United	12	7	3	2	16
Lakeland	12	4	6	2	10
Juan de Fuca	11	0	9	2	2
Ever Opt. Raiders	11	0	9	2	2

DIVISION 3A	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Gordon Head	13	9	3	1	19
Gorge F.C.	13	8	3	2	18
Landsdowne	13	5	6	2	12
Gorge Royals	13	4	7	2	10
Lakeland G.E.	13	1	12	0	2
Bay United	13	0	13	0	0

DIVISION 3B	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Lesion 91	12	9	1	2	20
Duncan	12	8	2	2	18
Peninsula Vikings	11	6	4	1	13
Duncan Dynamos	12	5	5	2	12
Eve. Opt. Blues	11	3	8	0	6

DIVISION 3C	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Gorge Buccaneers	12	7	3	2	16
Cordova Bay	12	7	3	2	16
Prospect Lake	12	3	7	2	8
Sooke	12	3	7	2	8
Gordon Head	13	0	9	4	4
Eve. Opt.	5	0	5	0	0

DIVISION 3D	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Bay's United	12	10	0	2	22
Gorge United	12	6	4	2	14
Juan de Fuca	13	4	7	2	10
Gordon Head	13	4	7	2	10
Peninsula Hawks	13	4	7	2	10
Lakeland	13	2	7	4	8

DIVISION 4A	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Gorge F.C.	12	10	1	1	21
Lakeland	12	10	1	1	21
Stenmark Duncan	12	5	3	4	14
Gordon Head	12	4	4	4	12
Salt Spring	12	4	4	4	12
Ridley Bros.	12	3	8	1	7
Evening Optimist	12	1	7	4	4
Gorge Canadians	12	1	7	4	4

DIVISION 4B	GP	W	L	T	Pts
Bay's United	13	12	1	0	25
Gordon Head	13	6	7	0	12
Trio Duncan	12	3	6	3	9
Lakeland	12	3	6	3	9
Gorge United	12	3	6	3	9
Peninsula Falcons	12	2	8	3	6

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BOWLERS OF THE WEEK

Completing list of award winners in 10th week of Times Bowler-of-the-Week contest are Sue Latimer and Darrell Prezeau, who topped fivepin divisions with series rolled at Town and Country Lanes. Sue, who commutes from Duncan to bowl in Happy Gang League, won women's laurels with 218-303-355-876 series while Darrell, who competes in Income Tax League, captured men's award with 283-297-331-911 series.

U.S. Tennis Team Grabs 2-0 Lead

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Roscoe Tanner shattered the tennis nemesis of Raul Ramirez with piston-like power and, along with Arthur Ashe, led the United States to a 2-0 lead over Mexico in the 1977 North American Zone Davis Cup competition.

Tanner, a 25-year-old from Lookout Mountain, Tenn., with a service that explodes at 128 miles an hour, struck the first blow by smashing a favored Ramirez, 7-5, 6-4, 6-4.

Then the 30-year-old Ashe, playing his 31st Davis Cup over a span of 10 years, cut down unranked Roberto Chavez, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.

"This is great," said an enthused Tony Trabert, captain of the U.S. team. "I think we have a good chance of making it a 5-0 sweep."

This would average in some

measure the embarrassment that Ramirez, a 23-year-old son of an Ensenada, Baja, Mexico, government fisheries' executive, had meted out to American teams over the last two years.

He shared in all the winning points in 3-2 victories at Palm Springs, Calif., in 1975 and at Mexico City last April, beating top-ranked Jimmy Connors in the decisive match of the latter event.

The Americans, who have won the Davis Cup since 1972, now can clinch a final spot in the North American Zone by winning today's doubles.

They send the experienced team of Stan Smith and Bob Lutz against a Mexican duo of Ramirez and probably Emilio Montano, a 23-year-old playing in his first Davis Cup match.

Davies, Lindal Pace Esquimalt

Brock Davies and Jerry Lindal provided the highlights Friday night as Esquimalt Legion downed Oak Bay Trios 5-0 in a South Island Junior "B" Hockey League game at Esquimalt.

Sports Centre. For goalkeeper Davies, it was his first shut-out of the season as he made

23 saves. For Lindal it was a hat trick. He scored three goals.

Terry Parsons and Kevin Kennedy scored the other goals for Esquimalt. Paul Vaesen made 40 stops in goal for Oak Bay.

At Lake Cowichan, Bairds Trucking tripped Kerry Park Islanders of Mill Bay, 8-3, as Barry Toporowski scored three goals.

Steve Boyd and Ron Mavea each had two goals and Ron Hughes one for the winners. Ted Lameroux, Tim Generoux and Corky Adams scored for Mill Bay.

Chowichan goalkeeper Shane Theobald made 31 saves and Tony Burns of the Islanders 39.

Tournament Too Costly

SAINT JOHN, N.B. (CP) — Saint John cannot afford to host the 1977 Canadian senior baseball championships if the 11-team round-robin format recently adopted by the Canadian Federation of Amateur Baseball is retained, a tournament co-ordinator says.

Saint John was selected as the site for the tournament at the federation's annual meeting in November.

Vic Fitzgerald of Saint John said that when the city made its bid for the tournament it expected it would be a six-team, double-knockout tournament as was played in Fredrickton last year.

O.C. SOCCER

LONDON (CP) — Results of United Kingdom soccer games played Friday:

ENGLISH LEAGUE Division III
Preston 2, Shrewsbury 1
Tranmere 2, Gillingham 0.
Division IV
Stockport 1, Scunthorpe 0.

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Islanders Hoping The Slump's Over

By The Canadian Press
Coach Al Arbour believes the slump is over for New York Islanders—and that spells trouble for their National Hockey League opponents.

The coach breathed a sigh of relief Friday night after the Islanders defeated Atlanta Flames 4-2. That extended the Islanders' undefeated streak to six games—five wins and a tie—after the club struggled to a 1-5 record from Nov. 19 to Dec. 2.

In another game, Washington Capitals surprised Toronto Maple Leafs 3-2 as Guy Charron paced the winners with a goal and an assist.

The Islanders, first place in the tough Patrick Division, haven't exactly been burning at the 1-13 mark of the final period. Bob Nystrom added another goal for the Islanders with 2:33 gone.

Atlanta scored on Richard Mulhern's second-period goal and a power-play effort by Bill Clement with 2:09 left in the game.

Washington's first goal was scored as Bill Collins passed and hit Toronto goalie Wayne Thomas's skate which deflected the puck into the net. Bob Neely evened the score on a hard shot from 30 feet out.

Charron put the Capitals ahead with less than three minutes left in the first period.

The Capitals made it 3-1 on a power-play goal by Hartland Monahan at 16:21 of the second period.

NATIONAL LEAGUE SUMMARIES

PATRICK DIVISION	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
N.Y. Isl.	31	20	9	2	119	55	24
Phila.	31	17	7	7	114	66	41
Atlanta	31	10	18	3	95	104	31
N.Y. Rand.	31	6	16	7	81	134	19

SMYTHE DIVISION	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
St. Louis	32	15	16	1	91	118	28
Chicago	31	10	18	3	95	104	31
Colorado	30	8	17	5	85	108	21
Cleveland	32	10	16	4	85	107	24
Vancouver	33	8	22	3	89	133	19

ADAMS DIVISION	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Boston	31	20	9	2	119	55	24
Buffalo	29	18	8	3	104	70	29
Toronto	31	13	13	5	90	104	31
Cleveland	32	9	16	7	91	107	25

NORRIS DIVISION	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Montreal	33	24	5	4	160	72	52
Quebec	33	11	12	10	108	103	32
Pittsburgh	31	13	13	5	96	104	31
Detroit	30	10	16	4	85	105	24
Washington	31	9	18	4	86	127	22

Next games: Tonight — NY Rangers at Chicago; Buffalo at NY Islanders; Philadelphia at St. Louis; Atlanta at Detroit; Montreal at Los Angeles; Washington at Pittsburgh; Vancouver at Minnesota; Colorado at Toronto; Boston at Cleveland.

TORONTO 2, WASHINGTON 3
First Period:
1. Washington, Collins (2) 5:57.
2. Toronto, Neely (7) (Ashby, Garland) 12:28.
3. Washington, Charron (21) (Bailley) 17:03.
Penalties — Salming (T) 3:46; McDonald (T) 19:30.

Second Period:
4. Washington, Monahan (13) (Charron, Green) 17:44.
Penalties — White (W) 8:35; Alexander (T) 14:37; Watson (W) 17:49.

Third Period:
5. Toronto, O'Brien, McDonald (33) (McKenney, Sittler) 6:45.
Penalty — Salming (T) 5:49.
Toronto 12-15 7-24
Washington 13-16 14-43
Goal — Thomas, Toronto; Low, Washington. Attendance—4,657.

NY ISLANDERS 4, ATLANTA 2
First Period:
1. NY Islanders, D. Polvin (11) (Bourne, Gilles) 3:34.
Penalties — Clement (A) 6:50; Howatt (NYI) 14:56; Hart (NYI) 15:51.

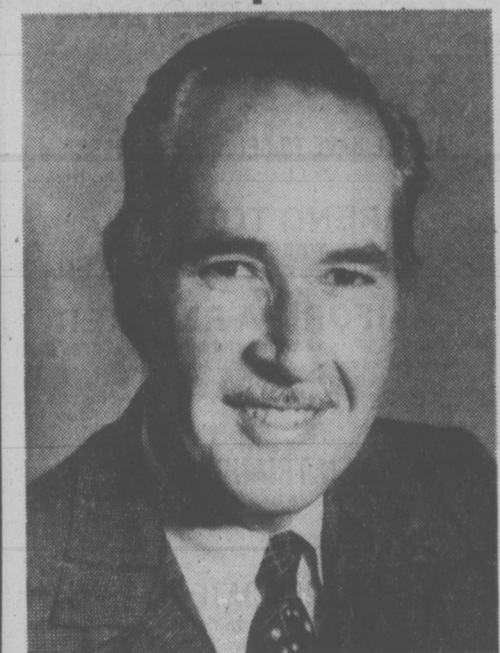
Second Period:
2. NY Islanders, Gilles (16) (Trotter, D. Polvin) 3:32.
3. Atlanta, Mulhern (5) (Lysiak) 13:20.
Penalties — MacMillan (NYI), Shand (A) (maiora) 5:09; Marshall (NYI) 16:13; Atlanta (bench) 17:50.

Third Period:
4. NY Islanders, Howatt (4) (Nystrom, D. Polvin) 1:13.
5. NY Islanders, Nystrom (15) (Parise, Hart) 3:33.
Penalties — Lewis (NYI) 4:07; J. Polvin (NYI) 15:55.

Shots on goal:
NY Islanders 10 9 5-24
Atlanta 9 13 13-35
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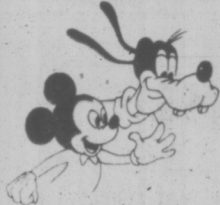
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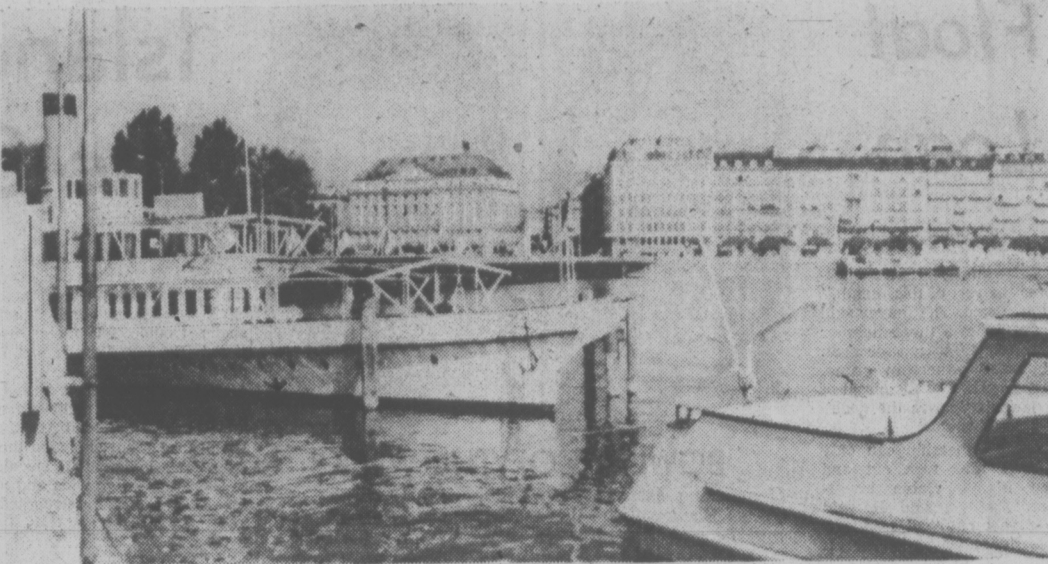
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Geneva owes much to its lake (above) and mountains

Geneva is friendly, happy

By JOHN PHILIP SOUSA

GENEVA — An easy one-block walk from the train station on the Rue de Lausanne and I was installed in one of the neat and sunny rooms of the Royal Hotel. The English spoken by the very cordial staff had a definite French accent.

A little later, after a sight-filled, 10-minute stroll, I stood on the spot where awhile back a Roman fellow had done a rather impressive bit of construction. His name was Julius Caesar: the time, some 19 centuries ago; the structure, the first bridge across the Rhone River that slices through modern Geneva. Less than a half hour had elapsed from the moment my very Swiss, (read very clean and amazingly punctual) train had deposited me at the station and my arrival at the site where Caesar had laid the foundation of his bridge and where now stands the local tourist office.

A very short time indeed, but enough to capture some of Geneva's unique characteristics.

A Gallic touch. Compactness. Long roots into history.

There's more, of course, to this paradox of a place, this relatively small town of less than 200,000 mostly French-speaking Swiss that no doubt is Europe's most international community.

As the European seat of the United Nations, Geneva is where the more-than-four-score organizations affiliated with the UN regularly hold their meetings and conferences.

The presence of delegates from countries all over the world along with a permanent diplomatic community unusually large for a town that is not a capital does not mean stiff morning coats and somber formality. Far from it, Geneva's French streak, its superb location on the banks of its namesake lake and the large population of students, writers and artists go a long way to make it one of the friendliest and happiest cities anywhere.

In a country long on beauty, this is Switzerland's most attractive and sophisticated city. Wedged between the Alps and the Jura Mountains, it sits on the neat lakeshore within sight of 15,770-foot Mt. Blanc. It is so close to France's key southern ski resorts, Parisians and other Frenchmen fly or drive here en route to those slopes. The great lake and mountain region of Northern Italy is a short distance away.

And, of course, Geneva is a convenient gateway to a host of outstanding ski and other Swiss resorts.

Befitting its status as a forum for the world, Geneva boasts a wide choice of cuisines. Fine restaurants serving everything from pheasant to pizza abound. And are quite expensive. But with a little research — and the assistance of the very helpful city tourist office — you can find numerous restaurants and cafes in the moderate to inexpensive range.

On first encounter — particularly as you drive in from the airport or as your tour bus makes the mandatory journey to the western edge of town for a visit to the huge UN facility — Geneva will impress you with its broad boulevards and spacious squares.

But there's another face to the place, the Old Town.

It's here in a delightful maze of narrow cobbled ways and medieval buildings that you find the bulk of the most interesting structures, monuments and shops.

Old Town landmarks include City Hall; St. Peter's Cathedral, where John Calvin preached about 400 years ago; the university, founded by the 16th Century Protestant reformer; the Grand Theatre, home to some of Europe's finest opera and ballet performances; and the picturesque Place du Bourg-de-Four.

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Great vintage is assured in Bernkastel

By FRANK J. PRIAL

BERNKASTEL, West Germany — Except on weekends, the summer tourist crush has ended in this storybook little city on the Mosel River. Consequently, few people are yet aware of the extraordinary thing that has happened on the hills that climb dizzily up from Bernkastel's narrow cobbled streets and tilted medieval buildings. It has been, simply, one of the greatest vintages of the last 100 years.

German wines are rated by sugar content, the sweetest wines being the best. Sunshine, which produces the sugar in the grapes, is there for a prized commodity in these steep, northern river valleys and, more than in any other wine region, success is measured in days, even hours, of warm sunlight.

To get as much of the precious warmth of the sun as possible, German vintners leave their grapes on the vines far into autumn. Some vintages have not been picked fully until December.

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The bulk of German wine goes, as it does in most wine countries, into table wine for domestic consumption. Kabinett wines, with higher sugar concentrations, are the first level to qualify for export. Next come the spatlese wines — deeper, richer, with still more sugar.

Then there are auslese wines, made not from bunches but from separate grapes selected for their richness in sugar.

Beerenauslese wines come from grapes that have been attacked by botrytis cinerea, a mold known as the noble rot in English. Pourriture noble in French and edelfaule in German. The mold eats through the grapeskin, releases water in the fruit and leaves only concentrated juice.

At the top of their vineyard hierarchy is the trockenbeerenauslese, a special wine produced in rare years where minute quantities of grapes achieve phenomenal levels of sugar content. The wine is complex and heavy, and possesses a bouquet that fills a room when a bottle is opened. A price of \$60 a bottle is not unusual.

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The quality of the 1976 vintage is so high that some vintners have more trockenbeerenauslese than they do Kabinett wine.

"I don't think we are going to make anything lower than auslese," said Karl-Heinz Lauerberg, leading producer here and one of three owners of Germany's most famous vineyard, the Bernkastler Doktor. In fact Lauerberg, like other premium wine producers, may downgrade the designation of some of his wine, selling beerenauslese as auslese and auslese as spatlese.

The quantity of sugar is a measurement of specific gravity and is called the oechsle rating.

According to government figures, the highest oechsle ratings for the 1976 vintage, a legendary one, were 99.5. In 1921 they reached 105.4. At Schloss Schonborn in Hatzenheim, a famous winery in the Rheingau, last week they reached 168 in one vineyard and 175 in another.

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The minimum oechsle grade for auslese in the Rheingau is 95. This year, according to the estate manager, Robert Englert, nothing less than 110 oechsle will be used. The minimum for trockenbeerenauslese in the Rheingau is 150 oechsle; Schloss Schonborn brought in grapes from the Erbacher Marcobrunn vineyard, of which it owns a part, at 186.

Quantity is down somewhat in the Rhine and Mosel valleys, but that does not worry the wine producers. They are more concerned with selling the high quality wines they are producing.

In the Rheinhessen, the wine region south of Mainz,

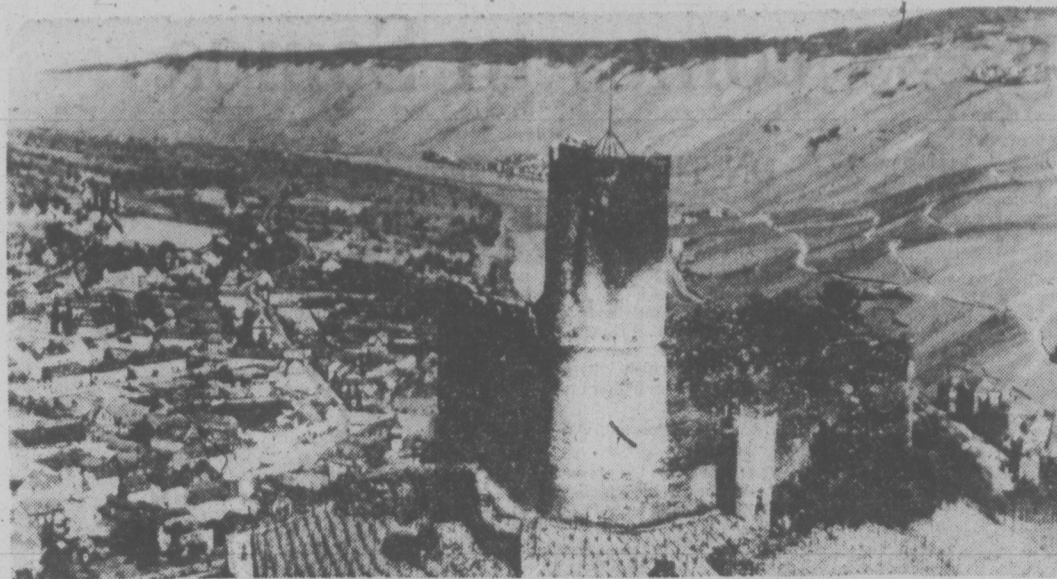
the sugar contents are equally high, but the acid levels are low. The low-acid wines will have the beautiful natural sweetness expected of German wines, but they will lack the character of the more elegant wines of the Rheingau, where the acid content is high.

German law does not require that a label show the sugar and acid content of a wine, so it is a good idea to stick to famous names from the Rheingau and the Mosel when buying German wines.

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The unusual 1976 vintage in Germany comes right after the 1975 vintage, which was extremely good. The best of the 1975s, from the best vineyards of the Mosel and from the Rheingau, will not be released for six months more or so. But many of the lesser wines already are reaching the market, here in Germany and in the United States.

They are beautifully balanced wines with great style. That is, they have excellent color and bouquet without being cloyingly sweet on one hand, or overly sharp and steely on the other. They are wines that will improve with age.



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APIA, Western Samoa — If Western Samoa is the birthplace of Polynesia, as certain scholars insist it is, then look out, Baby — someone's rock-

ing the cradle. The old neighborhood is going to pot. That is to say, the tourists are moving in. What's more, the locals have put up a modern hotel.

With sales blown up bigger than the Goodyear blimp, the hotel Tusitala provides such amenities as hot water, frozen mai tais, air conditioning, Kleenex tissue and instant coffee.

The oversize fales are used for recreation rooms, a restaurant, a bar and the reception. As for the guests, they are bedded down in \$6 rooms, each one identical and each one equipped with refrigerator, wall-to-wall carpeting and plumbing that works so marvelously one can't help wondering if perhaps he's never left home.

Occupying the site of the old Casino Hotel in downtown Apia, the Tusitala is one of the slickest new hotels in the South Seas. Due to its design it can never be mistaken for another Travelodge or Holiday Inn. The fact is, you get the idea you've joined a tribe of Samoans and are about to be granted the title of chief in this former United Nations trust territory.

The one thing the Tusitala lacks is a beach, however. The highway runs between it and the hotel. Before long, though, the Samoans insist that this oversight will be corrected. They're going to divert the road behind the hotel, add sand out front and pass out snorkels.

The fale that shelters the bar is immense. Sixty feet high, it's the biggest in the South Seas — nearly big enough to hang a jumbo jet.

Now the management is considering adding tennis courts, a putting green and a squash court. Everything but one of those magic machines

that dispenses whisky and other spirits directly to the room.

It's not only the Tusitala that's changing the mood of old Samoa; coming soon is Islander Safaris, which intends to establish a resort on the island of Savai'i.

May the gods forgive, with water beds yet!

Lynn Leasure, the resort and holiday entrepreneur from Hawaii, will begin his operation modestly, opening with about a dozen fale-style bungalows.

In Apia he intends to cut loose with a fleet of modern fishing boats, air-conditioned buses and a 40-foot cat complete with glass bottom for use on picnic and dinner cruises to the island of Manono.

Leasure and Co. is putting together two-day circle island tours that will take in native villages, black and white beaches and waterfalls seldom seen outside a Technicolor flick.

His flock will swim at Fatamea Cave pool, drink kava with locals and overnight at the Hideaway Hotel where adventurous souls may paddle dugout canoes up a South Sea river smothered with jungle vines and bouquets of frangipani.

Later, South Seas Safaris will bus everyone off to the village of Salamumu for another belt of kava and then onward to Lefaga and the old set of Michener's "Return to Paradise."

The same producers of rubberneck tours will take the gang on four-hour sight-seeing safaris to Vaillima, the old haunt of Robert Louis Stevenson, a rain forest in the hinterlands, and wind it all up by eyeballing the spectacular Tiavi Falls.

The ambitious producers of South Seas Safaris envision junkets to the neighbor islands as well, including Manono with a scene right out of a vintage celluloid love story, the one where happy-go-lucky

ON THE GO with Jerry Hulse

I raised my glass. "Do you feel old?" Aggie shook her head. "Well, no, not really, but one can't argue with the calendar."

The woman who has become a legend in the South Seas is 80 years old, although she looks more like a swinging 60.

I can recall when chickens ran through the rooms at Aggie Grey's hotel. And there was always a lizard on the wall.

Aggie's was unsophisticated and colorful and genuinely friendly.

It still is. Only it's grown. Instead of 10 rooms, Aggie rents out 108 rooms. Even so, stalks of ripe bananas still hang outside the doors and colored lights shine from the palms at night like Christmas bulbs.

In between acts she gave birth to seven children — four by her first husband and three by her second. Both are deceased, but Aggie, bless her, is alive with a lust for life that belies those nearly 80 years.

She smiled. "Another beer?" "Why not," I said. Aggie raised two fingers to the bartender.

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South Africa offers green land, blue sea

By STAN DELAPLANE
CAPE TOWN, South Africa — "It's summer in Cape Town. The jacaranda trees are showers of smoke-blue blossom. The land is green. The sea is painter's blue washing on golden sand."

It's the right size city to enjoy the good life. Only 650,000 people in a space 32 by 10 miles. Behind the city, Table Mountain is floodlit in the summer.

Francis Drake, homing to England, said it was "the fairest cape we saw in the whole circumference of the earth."

But the younger people are looking for other lands. America and Canada are first choices. They believe all Africa could go black. Though their ancestors came here 300 years ago, it's time to go.

South Africa's tourist people have been flying in group after group of travel agents and writers. I sent Jill Weisich, a San Francisco photo journalist and lawyer, with 11 other reporters.

"We are trying to cover a strange country in six days. Three days of 5 a.m. wakeup calls; 2,000 miles of flying."

Very friendly and very handsome people. Descendants of Dutch pioneers, refugee Huguenots and immigrant English. Women in light summer dresses. Men in white safari jackets and shorts. White socks turned down four inches below the knee.

Children wear starched, frilly dresses. The kind that need a lot of ironing and show there's a cheap household labor force. Three servants to the family is average, they told us.

Quite a few Pakistanis and Malays work in the hotels. Apparently better — or easier

to train — than native blacks. They live in a "colored" section of town. Separated from both black and white sections.

The Mount Nelson here is a graceful balconied hotel, set in seven acres of park blooming with summer flowers.

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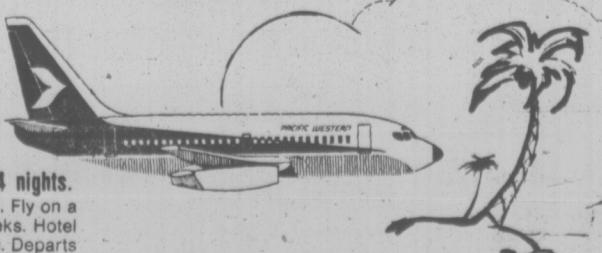
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Hussein Optimistic About Peace

By H. D. S. GREENWAY
Washington Post

AMMAN, Jordan — King Hussein is optimistic that "definite progress" toward a peace settlement with Israel can be made in the coming year.

He said he "bases his optimism on a new maturity as well as a 'positive' attitude in the Arab world, coupled with the advent of a new administration free from election-year pressures and a better understanding of the Arab position in the United States."

"We have been through many wars and each one has been more costly than the one that preceded it," Hussein said in an interview at the Royal Palace. Barring the disappointment that might come if all hope toward peace were blocked, "I don't think that any would consider war again," he said.

If there were no visible progress soon, however, the king warned, the Arab world might lose hope. He fears that the Arab world then would despair and turn to extremists.

"But," he said, "I believe this area is mature as far as the majority of the people and its leaders are concerned and I believe that the Arab attitude has been very positive and will continue to be."

The same could not be said for Israel, Hussein said.

The Israelis speak of negotiations "yet they are holding all the cards and they haven't been half as positive as the Arab side," he said.

The king said the Arabs resented Israeli claims that their peace efforts were insincere, only a change of tactics designed to fool foreigners while they continued to plot the destruction of the Jewish state.

When asked whether, in exchange for a return to the 1967 borders, he would recognize Israel as a legitimate state with a right to exist, Hussein said "definitely. That was clear to the Arab side when we agreed to accept Security Council Resolutions 242 and 339."

In Hussein's view, "What should be attempted in the near future is a massive effort

for a comprehensive settlement."

Hussein said he would not be opposed to an Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories in stages, as long as Israel committed itself to total withdrawal.

He also suggested that something less than total withdrawal might prove acceptable, but that was a matter for the Palestinians to decide for themselves.

"When we were in a position to talk for the occupied West Bank as part of Jordan, we did recognize the fact that the old lines around which fighting started in 1967 were themselves armistice lines (from the 1948 war) and that there was the possibility of minor rectifications. However, we feel that the responsibility must remain with the Palestinians."

Hussein did not consider the plan of Israeli Foreign Minister Yigal Allon, under which Israel would return the West Bank minus East Jerusalem and a string of Israeli settlements kept as a security belt in the Jordan Valley, as an

acceptable solution under any circumstance.

Israel has annexed East Jerusalem and has said the city will never be divided again. The Jordanian position is there should be Arab sovereignty over the Arab part of the city.

"Jerusalem cannot be a city under total Israeli control," Hussein said, "or there can be no peace."

At the 1974 Rabat conference, Jordan agreed to hand over responsibility for the lost Jordanian territory on the West Bank to the Palestine Liberation Organization as the sole representative of the Palestinian people. Although he never mentioned the PLO in his interview Thursday, he made it very clear that he considered Palestine the responsibility of the Palestinians, not of Jordan.

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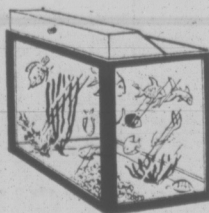
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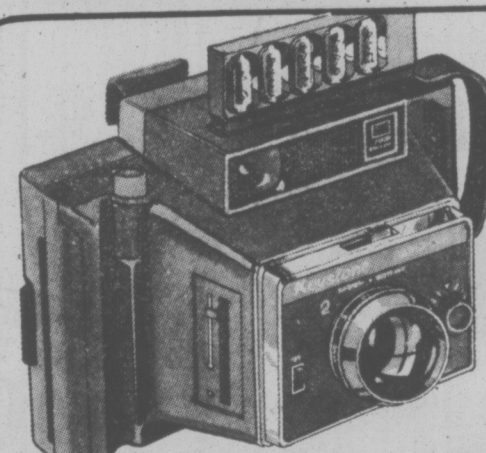
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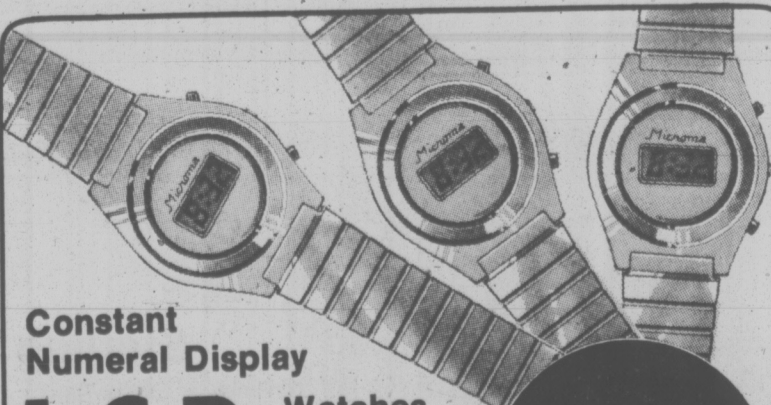
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WASHINGTON (WP) — U.S. State Department Friday rejected Treasury Secretary William Simon's request that he be allowed to keep a half-dozen gifts received from foreign governments or officials.

Simon had proposed to Ambassador Shirley Temple Black, head of the Department's Protocol office, that he be permitted to purchase the gifts an appraisal. Under normal procedures they would be displayed by the government or sold at auction.

All of the gifts, including a Russian shotgun and a wrist-watch given him by Soviet Communist party chief Brezhnev are valued at \$50 or more and are supposed to be turned over to the government for disposal, according to a 1966 law. Pending action on his request, Simon has kept the items at his home in Virginia.

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Art Smuggle Laid to 5 Canadians

FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Five Vancouver people have been indicted here for conspiring to smuggle \$300,000 worth of paintings to California.

Customs officials said a planeload of paintings was seized last month when bad weather forced the pilot to land in the Sierra Nevada mining community of Columbia north of here.

The paintings, which included the \$250,000 Portrait of a Lady by Bucho, were being flown from Chilliwack, to a buyer in Fresno, agents said.

However, the buyer was an undercover agent and a customs plane followed the craft on its journey into the United States.

Indictments returned by a federal grand jury here Thursday named Jack Ingraham, owner and pilot of the plane; Leigh Jewers, arrested when the plane landed; Donald Taylor and James Partridge, described as stock and commodity dealers; and Sam Angel, a businessman.

Ingraham and Jewers also were charged with smuggling. Bail was posted by those two, plus Taylor and Partridge, but authorities said Angel remained at large.

WASHINGTON (WP) — Transportation Secretary William Coleman Friday announced that he will approve licences for two controversial superports in the Gulf of Mexico.

Coleman imposed a number of economic and environmental restrictions on two oil groups that have proposed constructing offshore ports, requiring that access to the facilities be open to all shippers and that the companies agree in writing to assume all liability for any oil spills.

But the outgoing transportation secretary rejected pleas from the federal trade commission and the justice department that he impose limits on "excess profits" that the two agencies said petroleum firms would earn from their investments in the two ports.

Coleman also rejected a proposal from city and port officials in Galveston, Tex., who have proposed building a publicly owned, onshore superport that they said would be cheaper to construct.

The two proposals approved by Coleman were made by Seadock Inc., for a superport to be located 25 miles from Freeport, Tex., and Loop Inc., for a similar facility 15 miles off Grand Isle, La. Use of the new ports — which would be the first in the United States designed to handle huge tankers carrying imported oil — will lead to a 30 per cent reduction in oil transport costs, Coleman said.

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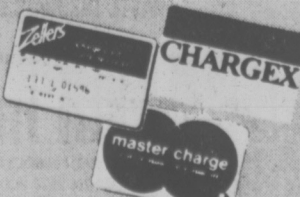
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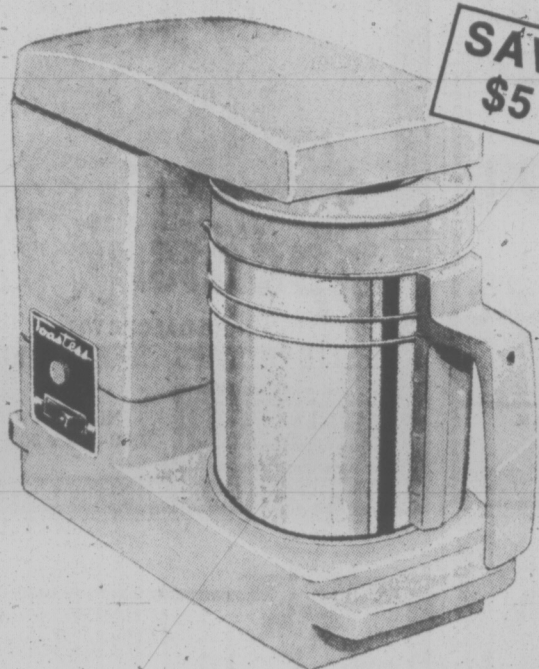
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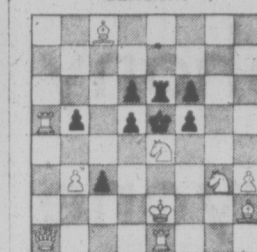
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| 12. Q-R-Q1 | BxN |
| 13. BxN | Q-B2 |
| 14. R-Q2 | NB3-K2 |
| 15. N-Q4 | B-Q2 |
| 16. P-B5! (b) | PxP |
| 17. PxP | N-K4 |
| 18. N-K6!! (c) | BxN |
| 19. PxP | P-N3 |
| 20. QxN!! (d) | PxQ |
| 21. PxPch | Resigns (e) |

(a) Usual here is 5... B-B4; 6. N-N3, B-R2; 7. Q-Q, N-QB3; 8. Q-K2, KN-K2; 9. B-K3, BxN; 10. QxN, P-Q4.
(b) The first step of the dynamic combination.
(c) Pure dynamic play! One could call it brute force. Black's answer is forced.
(d) Wonderful finish!
(e) After 21... K-B1; 22. B-R6 mate; or 21... K-Q1; 22. P-B8-Qch, etc. and finally if 21... K-Q2; 22. B-B5 d.ch, K-B3; 23. B-K4ch, etc.

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Game played at the Paul Masson Open, 1976
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DYNAMIC CHESS
The greatest exponent of dynamic chess is surely Mikhael Tal, the "genius of Riga." His capacity for creating combinations is incredible. He always plays for a win against anyone. In the following with Antonin Suetin, an outstanding player and expert on theory in the Tiflis tournament in 1971, the question can be raised as to the value of a Queen or, for that matter, that of a Rook, Knight or Bishop? What value does each have in relation to each other?
Everything depends on the player involved, his method of deployment, the counter-play and the conditions in which pieces are placed in the position. In today's game, we see Suetin getting out from under, after opening play. The great Tal sacrifices his Queen to lead to a quick mate.
The solution to the problem above is: 1. NxQB, K-B5; 2. N3-K4 mate; or 1. K-Q5; 2. NB3-K4 mate; or 1... P-B5; 2. K-B3 mate; or 1... R-K1; 2. NxBP mate; etc.

Arena Plan Rejected

HAMILTON (CP) — Hamilton voters have rejected a plebiscite proposing construction of a 15,000-seat arena and with it went the possibility of a professional hockey team. New mayor Jack MacDonald and other members of the new council now say the issue is dead.

Bill MacFarland, president of the World Hockey Association, said he would have been willing to make a commitment to the city that they would have a WHA franchise if the voters favored construction of a new arena. "It would be a good market with a new building."

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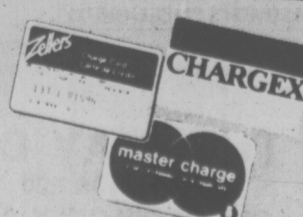
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A Symphony For Everyone

The tendency that was general during the first 20-odd years of the Victoria Symphony's existence, to regard such institutions as having mainly snob-appeal, is fast disappearing. No more letters come to my desk describing the symphony as the "pampered plaything of the privileged" — a lovely piece of aliteration from an actual letter in my files.

Symphony boards, the players themselves, and of course most especially Maestro Laszlo Gati, are responsible for an evolution that has changed the public's mind and as an inevitable consequence has changed, or is changing, the political mind.

Now can be seen, from the evidence of the summer festival concerts organized by Gati, what was true all along — that a symphony orchestra belongs to all the people of whatever age or kind wherever they may gather within or without concert walls.

From this evidence we should be able to extend our understanding to the realization that not only music, but theatre, and not only theatre but any of the arts, belong to anyone who cares to sample them and are not the prerogative of a chosen few.

In early years of the Symphony Society the policy was to make opening nights of a new season a full dress affair, furred and jewelled, with a red carpet laid outside the Royal Theatre, camera flashes popping and newspaper social columns recounting details of pre-concert parties.

All of which had nothing whatever to do with music, but was considered necessary to lure forth donations from the wealthy. If you stood in the back of the Royal Theatre in those days you looked over a landscape of carefully groomed silver and white and balding heads mounted above milk and dark cloth shoulders.

Nothing wrong with the scene essentially except that there would be many empty seats and few young people or kids who probably would have enjoyed the concerts more than some who were present for the social reason. They — the young — just didn't know. Nobody had reached out to them and said "come on in, this is all yours."

Well, that's changed now very largely because for the last five years barefoot kids in jeans, young parents pushing babies in strollers, family groups, pensioners and the handicapped have flocked to city squares and park in the summers to hear symphony concerts played by an orchestra made up of Victoria Symphony regulars and summer replacements, conducted by Maestro Gati.

But there's more to it than that — a phase that is now developing very rapidly and will strongly influence the tastes and life-style of the next generation of adult citizens, besides providing riches for the present adolescent and pre-adolescent generation.

Symphony concerts in secondary schools and Saturday rehearsal-school children have been carried on by Gati for some time with co-operation of the School Boards and principals. Some chamber ensemble concerts have also been provided.

But with the solidifying of the professional core of the orchestra a regular and frequent pattern of chamber concerts in schools and public places is being established.

A first public appearance was made earlier this month

by the Victoria Woodwind Quintet in a recital at the Church of Our Lord. This ensemble is made up of the symphony's principal flute Jan Menting, principal oboe Katharine Hartung, second clarinet Keith MacLeod, principal horn Jeffrey McLane and principal bassoon Jim Ewen.

There is also a brass quintet whose members are Boyde Hood and Anthony Hendriks, trumpets, Thomas Eadie, trombone, Joan Watson Fast, horn and Eugene Dowling, tuba; and a string quintet made up of section principals Derry Deane, violin (concert mistress), Uldis Lepmanis, second violin; David Becker, viola, Larry Skaggs, cello, and Ross Lund, bass.

These groups have been presenting concerts in schools throughout the Greater Victoria area during November and December as well as evening recitals in secondary school auditoriums and concerts open to the general public in Market Square.

The New Year will see them fully involved with the same sort of pattern, with their range extending north as far as Courtenay and again there will be a number of the popular Market Square performances.

No longer a purely Victoria organization, when its regular season is concluded here, Maestro Gati will lead the orchestra on a two-week tour of remote areas of Northern B.C., the Yukon and Alberta.

Funding for this first large-scale venture off the island has its principal source in the Canada Council Touring branch which has recently made a special grant for the purpose of \$35,000.

In a way the miles the Victoria Symphony will travel during its spring junket will symbolize the distance it has come since the time when it was regarded by many people, including municipal councils, as a high-class thorn in the flesh — an elite organization the product of which was strictly esoteric.

The summer festival concerts have been very largely responsible for the enlightened concepts regarding the symphony.

It has been estimated, for example, that 90,000 people attended the various activities — Heritage Court, Market Square and park concerts and 27 string quartet concerts in the Parliament Buildings.

The Victoria Summer Festival Society, of which Gati is artistic and executive director, decided at its annual meeting to suspend its operation for 1977 but this is only to make way for consolidation of the summer season under the Victoria Symphony Society banner, a move which important funding sources have indicated is desirable.

Amahl Again

No more affecting and magical way to imbue the whole family with true Christmas spirit could be found than by sharing the experience of Gian-Carlo Menotti's haunting small opera, Amahl and the Night Visitors.

Vancouver Island Opera Society is following its successful production of Mozart's Marriage of Figaro with the presentation of Amahl at the small historic Church of Our Lord on Humboldt.

The hour-long opera will be performed from Tuesday through Boxing Day, Dec. 26, except Christmas Day, at 7:30 p.m., with matinees Christmas Eve and Boxing Day at 4:30 p.m.

Following the star, the three kings come to a shepherd's hut where the crippled Amahl lives with his penniless widowed mother, and ask to rest an hour or so. After the shepherds have been summoned from the surrounding hills and have entertained the Kings with bread and wine and dance, all sleep and the mother muses in a beautiful song, "All that gold... what I could do for my child with that gold."

She is tempted beyond endurance but a miracle takes place and all ends on a note of ecstasy.

Menotti's music, notably Amahl's wistful, "I Was a Shepherd", the Kings' processional trio, Melchior's aria describing the child they seek and the mother's response; Kaspar's treasure song, This Is My Box, and duets between mother and child, are richly melodic, moving and memorable.

Musical direction of Amahl is by Glen Fast and the dramatic director is Dawn Hood. Piano accompaniment will be provided by Mary Desroches. In the cast are Karen Smith as the mother; Rory Hammond, Bruce Jennings and Steven Horning as the Kings and Zdenek Tomas as the page. Sharing the role of Amahl with alternating performances are boy sopranos Martin Thorne and Timothy Williams.



Unclipped in popularity and grandeur among oratorios is Handel's Immortal Messiah. Victoria Symphony conducted by Laszlo Gati and Victoria Choral Society conducted by Bruce More are joined in the performances Sunday at 2:30 p.m. and Monday at 8 p.m. at the Royal, by international soloists Ruth Huang-Suzuki, soprano, left, and Carolyn Maia, mezzo soprano, right.

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The Snow Goose, which starts at 2 p.m. each day (except Christmas Day and Dec. 27) will be followed by a round of carol singing, with audience participation. Customs, events, society, entertainment, politics and trivia from Victorian life in 1876, with particular emphasis on Christmas customs and Sunday behavior, make a bright and amusing entertainment snack for after dinner.

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Filming, the Canadian Way

By AL FORREST

Making a full-length movie is never easy, but when it is a Canadian production sometimes it is almost impossible.

For example, there's Eliza's Horoscope, currently showing at the Halda.

It was filmed in Montreal six years ago but is only beginning to be distributed now after a lengthy battle with Hollywood.

Assistant producer Marguerite Corriveau was in Victoria this week to tell the background story.

It all began when Gordon Sheppard, the president of Ozali Films in Quebec, encountered an 18-year-old girl who said her main immediate ambition was to get pregnant.

who tells her the father of her child will be a man of riches. Eliza begins the search for that man and encounters along the way a young handsome Indian lad who is delightful but certainly not rich.

Near the end she begins to re-evaluate the meaning of riches. And she questions the unthinking drive that pushes young people to have children as a natural act "like hunger or the desire to be warm."

But making the film was just the start.

Warner Bros. had forwarded \$1 million of the \$1.5 million budget and demanded that the editing work be done in Hollywood.

Sheppard and Corriveau disagreed, saying they felt they should do the work themselves to make sure their original vision was retained in the completed work. Hollywood finally agreed.

The editing took two years, during which time Warner Bros. several times threatened to cut off financing if the work was not speeded up.

In 1973, the editing was completed but Sheppard and Corriveau had to follow this up by going to Hollywood to supervise sound editing and to record background music.

When the work was finally completed to the liking of Sheppard and Corriveau, Eliza's Horoscope was screened for Warner Bros.

They found it bewildering and decided against distributing it. So Ozali Films got per-



Tommy Lee Jones, a part-Indian, Texas-born actor who will be playing Howard Hughes in a major television production for CBS.

Lila Kedrova is the only established star in the production. She won an Oscar for her performance in Zorba the Greek. In Eliza's Horoscope she plays a barmaid in a poor section of Montreal.


The cast also includes Rose Quong of New York as the astrologer, Richard Manuel, musician from The Band, as one of Eliza's suitors and Montreal actors Marcel Sabourin, Jacques Normand and Claude Gai.

Corriveau said the movie may be difficult to understand on first viewing.

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By AUDREY JOHNSON

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The top quality of performance that can be effortlessly invoked by the university music department is in itself a cause for elation. The concert of instrumental music conducted by noted violist Gerald Stanick featured a chamber-size orchestra and soloists who were all either faculty, community professionals or senior students.

Stanick as conductor has a precise and clear technique and a positive, alert and disciplined dynamism. There was the vitality of the baroque allegro, exemplified in the Bach Concerto for violin, oboe and string orchestra, and the opening movement of William Boyce's fifth symphony was crisply articulated and taken at a brilliant tempo.

The pure and soaring musicality of Paul Kling's violin and Eileen Gibson's oboe as soloists in the Bach, were heightened by superbly sensitive shaping of phrases and controlling of nuances by Stanick.

Boyd Hood's trumpet, clear, mellow and fluent in

the most intricate passage work, provided a shining opening to the program in a Torelli concerto for his instrument and was prominent again in the Boyce work.

The familiar and happy Schubert Symphony No. 5 in B flat was an excellent choice which the small orchestra performed with obvious relish and with, again, loving musical attention to detail on the part of the conductor.

The concert ended with the short and exquisitely tasteful Fantasia on Greensleeves by Vaughan Williams, played tenderly and gracefully, with the effective, homespun simplicity of a cradle song.

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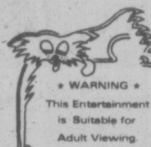
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Stripper Patti a Real Pushover

NEW YORK (AP) — It was one of those on-the-job injuries: Stripper Patti Wayne was performing a headstand in the nude when an over-zealous patron leaped on stage and pushed her over.

But friends rallied round. Early today an assortment of comics, singers and dancers performed free at a Greenwich Village nightclub to raise money for Miss Wayne, sometimes billed as the

"Playgirl of Wall Street."

About 300 persons attended the fundraiser at Copperfield's, but not Miss Wayne — she was flat on her back, recovering at the home she shares with seven dogs here.

She said she was in the middle of her act at a Philadelphia club a month ago "when one of the guys got frisky and jumped up on the stage and knocked me down."

Uncertain if she'll ever be

able to perform again, Miss Wayne said she is suffering great pain from a wrenched back and neck.

"I haven't been able to work for a month, and money has been a terrible problem. I think it's the nicest thing anyone has ever done for me," she said of the benefit.

The party began warming up late Friday night with preliminary acts. One of the first performers was a singer

named Pam, and the reaction to her made it clear that most of those in attendance had come to see the dancers.

Pam belted out a few tunes, then told the crowd, "It's a little warm in here. I'm going to take my coat off." Most of the customers, who paid \$5 each, answered back with whoops and cheers.

Pam, apparently indignant, held her velvet jacket to her chest and screamed back, "I'm not a stripper."

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Davina Next Queen, U.K. Papers Guess

LONDON — The British press erupted in speculation again today that Davina Sheffield, a 25-year-old blonde socialite, may be the next queen.

Three popular newspapers published front-page stories and pictures after Miss Sheffield, a frequent companion of Prince Charles during the last two years, appeared at a friend's wedding reception Friday escorted by the 28-year-old prince.

The couple were guests at the wedding of Elizabeth Warrington, a school friend of Miss Sheffield's, to London lawyer Richard Beckett in a village in Derbyshire, in central England.

After the reception and a playful snowball fight with other guests, the prince and his companion drove to Blenheim Palace, the stately home of the Duke of Marlborough.

The Daily Mail, Sun and Daily Mirror published pictures of the prince and Miss Sheffield under headlines reading: "Together Again, Charles Drives Off With Davina, and Charles and Davina Team Up."

At Friday's wedding, the prince half-smiled and replied "I doubt it" when someone in the crowd outside the church shouted: "Are you next?"

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Rep. Wilbur D. Mills, stepping down this year after serving 37 years in Congress, told a local business group Friday anything he had done in his last two years in Congress

hurt him more than it hurt them.

"Whatever I did that did not meet with your approval was far more depressing to me than if it could have been to you," Mills told the annual chamber of commerce luncheon in his home district. He was the guest of honor.

LAS VEGAS — Even for Las Vegas, the celebration of Sammy Davis Jr.'s 51st birthday was a real blow out.

A star-studded group of about 800 gathered here Thursday night to honor Davis, paying \$100 a plate. Proceeds will go to the United Negro College Fund.

"This town made me and there ain't no doubt about it," Davis said.

LONDON — Agatha Christie's play The Mousetrap, now in its 25th year, recorded its 10,000th performance Friday.

The thriller, which holds the record for the longest continuous run of any show in the world, opened Nov. 25, 1952, at London's Ambassadors Theatre. After 8,862 performances it moved to St. Martin's Theatre here on March 25, 1974. It is still there.

New York's long-run attraction, The Fantasticks, has

played more than 6,900 performances.

YUMA, Ariz. — Michael O'Connor, 19, stopped here long enough to repair his 18th flat tire before pedalling toward El Paso, Tex., on an around-the-world bicycle tour.

He hopes to reach El Paso by Christmas and to complete his trip by May. He left his Dublin, Ireland, home in February and has travelled in 19 of the 20 countries on his itinerary.

His route has taken him through Europe to Turkey, Iran, Afghanistan, Pakistan, India, Thailand and Malaysia. By boat he's touched Hong Kong, Taiwan and British Columbia.

Liberal Stalwart Rewarded

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Trudeau has appointed to the Senate Montreal lawyer and businessman John Ewasew, a Liberal who served as president of Trudeau's Mount Royal constituency.

Ewasew, 54, was first elected president of the Mount Royal Liberal Association in June, 1965, a few months before Trudeau was picked to make his first venture into federal politics as a candidate for MP in the predominantly-English, upper-income Montreal riding.

The announcement of the Senate appointment issued Friday by the prime minister's office outlines Ewasew's career but makes no mention of his connections with the Liberal party or the Trudeau constituency.

It was under Ewasew's presidency that Trudeau, then relatively unknown in Canada, obtained a seat in Parliament after being recruited by then prime minister Lester B. Pearson to strengthen Liberal representation from Quebec.

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Chileans Getting A Lift

VANCOUVER (CP) — More money is needed to help a Chilean family return here from Spain, a neighbor in Prince George said Friday.

David Farah said in a telephone interview he has organized a fund to raise \$1,500 for Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Leiva and their children Maria, 10, and Ricardo, 7.

The family was told last month they could return to Canada if they passed medical examinations which now have been completed.

Family friends in Prince George earlier raised \$1,200 to help support the Leivas while they are in Spain. Farah said Friday they spent \$150 on the medical examinations — had nearly all the money they had.

The Leivas fled Chile in 1973 after the overthrow of the government of Salvador Allende and came to Canada on visitors' visas. Both parents worked illegally and were told to apply from abroad when they sought landed immigrant status.

ORPHANS CHOSEN

DALLAS (UPI) — Two children whose parents were murdered last summer will receive \$500 a month for the rest of their lives from a man they never knew and who did not know them.

Ella Gervetich, a Russian immigrant, who died more than a year ago, ordered the trustees of his estate to find two orphans, preferably a brother and sister, who might need financial assistance. The trustees chose Billy Locklear, 3, and his sister, Mary Ann, 2.

Trustees said the children would together receive about \$500 a month for the rest of their lives from the estate. Their parents were beaten and stabbed to death in a robbery which netted only \$4. Billy and Mary Ann, who were in a bedroom, were found three days later, dirty and malnourished, with the corpses of their parents.

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The giant firm took its final step toward extinction Friday when trustees filed a new reorganization plan in U.S. District Court.

With court approval, Penn Central will sell most of its holdings, including the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City, the Commodore Hotels, mineral rights and rights-of-way.

It will keep only the Pennsylvania Co., a subsidiary which owns real estate, an oil pipeline and a chain of amusement parks.

Insurance Tab Up
TORONTO (CP) — People buying automobile and property insurance can expect about an eight-per-cent increase in most personal and commercial 1977 rates, says an insurance company spokesman.

CALMAR, Alta. (CP) — Ejarne Kristensen has made 10 tons of Christmas cake since early October.

"Making this stuff 16 or 18 hours a day is enough to make a person nutty as a fruit cake," he said.

Ten tons works out to about 10,000 two-pound cakes that have come out of Mr. Kristensen's red-brick oven in the Calmar Bakery. The cakes are rich, he said, but he isn't.

"I'm not in this business for the money. I'm in it because I like it."

Although the business isn't making him a lot of money, "for a little bakery out in the country it's pretty good."

Mr. Kristensen's cakes will be eaten from Winnipeg to Vancouver. The marketing is handled by Faith Farms Ltd., a Wetaskiwin cheese manufacturing company.

When he came to Calmar, 20 miles southwest of Edmonton, in 1968, Mr. Kristensen

was selling 10 to 100 pounds of his Christmas cake locally. But gradually the bakery got "quite a reputation for our butter cookies and Christmas cakes" and along came Faith Farms looking for items to market under its label.

"I'd have been happy with 5,000 pounds of fruit cake business this year but the orders just kept coming in."

In fact, orders arrived so fast that he had to work full-time Saturdays through Tuesdays on Christmas cake. He even had to shut down his normal bakery operations for a few days to catch up with the orders, occasionally bringing in temporary employees.

Most of the work, however, was done by Mr. Kristensen with help from his brother, Torrid.

His cakes are 75 per cent fruit and nuts and 25 per cent butter, making them "not the cheapest in the world." They are so rich he advises customers to eat them only with a sharp, wet knife to keep them from crumbling.

Mr. Kristensen, who devel-

oped his own recipe, said he never made a fruit cake in his life before coming to Canada from Denmark eight years ago.

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An early English king went hunting the day before Christmas, and became lost in a blizzard which blocked the paths in the forest and forced him and his followers to remain all night in the wilds. The cook happened to be one of the party so he prepared the Christmas meal from what was on hand. He decided to throw everything he had into the pot, and hope for the best. So he took the remains of a stag killed the day before, chopped the meat first and added apples, eggs, meat, flour, dried plums, ale, brandy and sugar. After stirring, he tied the sticky mass in a bag and boiled it until it was a pudding. The true English Christmas pudding of today has 11 of these ingredients.



Christmas Gift suggestions

CARR'S ASSORTED
Biscuits Tapestry Tin 52-oz. **6⁹⁹**

CRAWFORD'S ASSORTED
Biscuits Floral Tin 3 lbs. **6⁵⁰**

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Biscuits Blue and Gold Drum 14 oz. **2⁹⁹**

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Le Goubet Omelette pan and 5-9-lb.-oz. jars of preserves. set **14⁹⁵**

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Nut Cracker with 12 ozs. of mixed nuts. **8⁹⁵**

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Fruit Cake ea. **2¹⁹**

AYLMER FANCY
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Canned Ham 3 varieties, 1 1/2-lb. tin **3³⁹**

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Plum Pudding 900 gram **2⁹⁹**

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BLACK DIAMOND PRODESS CREAM
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Turkeys Gr. A over 20 lbs. lb. **95¢**

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Letters to Santa As Popular as Ever

A column at the beginning of December, in which I spoke of children writing letters to Santa Claus, has brought response from many people, the majority, I'm happy to say, in favor of the age-old custom.

I've had telephone calls. Letters. Friends have stopped me on the street.

With few exceptions, all were in favor of sentiment rather than realism and firmly committed to continuing the belief that Mr. Claus is "for real" as long as possible.

One Victoria woman even sent me a letter she had penned to Santa from a grown-up point of view.

I've talked to her on the phone. And while she refuses to have her name publicized, she has consented to let me use that letter in this column today.

All requests in it are not original, she has told me. Indeed, for years she has been gathering and saving them in a little notebook, as she found them in her reading or heard them expressed by relatives or friends.

Some of the thoughts have been used over and over again, she said, differently worded, perhaps, but with the same soul-stirring meaning.

New or old, original or culled from other writings, the letter is worth repeating, reading, remembering, and acting upon today! This is the way it reads:

"Dear Santa:

"Put into my stocking a dash of human kindness. Add some of the breadth of vision that will make me realize that all men are my brothers.

"Pour in some of the oil of graciousness... the mark of a true lady, or a genuine gentleman.

"Give me the knowledge and stamina to play my part well in this big, troubled world; and the ability to plan my life so that when I pass on, no one will say of me 'she lived for self alone.'

"Leave for me a package of good cheer so that when a neighbor is weighed down with despair I may be of help



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in bringing courage and a desire to look up again.

"Please bring me a jack-in-the-box, like the one that set my childish heart to pit-a-pat in days gone by... but let this one be labelled 'faith'. Then help me to unlock the magic of that word for every heart that comes my way.

"And don't forget a cane... not the old-fashioned peppermint, red-and-white candy kind, but a staff of spiritual strength on which I may lean when sorrow and temptation cast their shadows on my path.

"Make all the children of the earth glad, Dear Santa. But don't forget that grown-ups, too, sometimes dream dreams, and wish again for the miracles of childhood.

"Write upon the minds and hearts of all who have exchanged the carefreeness of youth for the stern realities of life, the message that real happiness is found, not in material things, but in days spent in the service of one's fellow men."

"Merry Christmas, Santa."

Well! There it is! A letter to Santa from a grown-up Victoria woman. A letter well worth reading, remembering and acting upon!

POSTSCRIPT — If you are trying to think of a special treat for your youngsters, teenagers, grown-ups, relatives, or for that matter, anyone who is young in heart, take them to the Ice Capades.

Performances continue at the Victoria Memorial Arena tonight at 8 p.m. and at two matinees on Sunday—one at 2 p.m. and the other at 6 p.m. I was there on Wednesday night, and let me tell you, it's a Yuletide must!

Color, glamor, humor, spectacular settings and interesting skating routines — Ice Capades has it all.

Into the bargain there's British Columbia's own Karen Magnussen, a world champion and more attractive, more talented than ever.

As well there are many other favorites.

DON'T MISS IT!

Franks With Cheese

By CECILY BROWNSTONE
Associated Press

SUNDAY SUPPER
Cheddar Franks in Buns
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Cupcakes Beverage

CHEDDAR FRANKS
You may enjoy this variation of an everyday food.

1/4 pound cheddar cheese, grated

1 tablespoon mayonnaise

2 tablespoons chili sauce

4 all-beef frankfurters, split but not all the way through

4 frankfurter buns, split and toasted

Stir together the cheese, mayonnaise and chili sauce. On a sheet of heavy foil, broil franks, cut side down, until hot through. Turn and spoon cheese mixture over cut sides — it will weight them down. Broil slowly, by adjusting pan or heat, until cheese melts. Serve on rolls. Makes 4 servings.

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Nowadays nearly everybody is eager to maintain his weight. Increased physical activity is one way to guard against an over-extension of your girth.

The "Fitness Wheel" explains that different types of physical activity make your body use up calories at different rates. For instance, your body burns the calories yielded by one slice of bread for 15 minutes walking or for 10 minutes cycling or seven minutes swimming or four minutes running.

The wheel also shows that a brisk daily walk of 15 minutes for three months would use up two pounds of body fat. This would be eight pounds in a year.

By turning the wheel, you can find out how much physical activity is needed to burn up an average serving of over 60 food items and how much cholesterol and calories each one yields.

For example, a medium

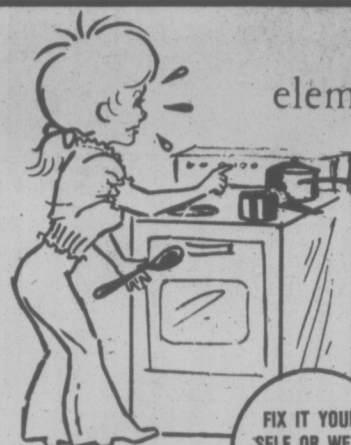
sized baked potato does not contain any cholesterol and yields 105 calories. To burn these up you would have to walk for 20 minutes or cycle for 13 minutes or swim for nine minutes or run for five minutes.

Send your request for the wheel together with return postage and a self-addressed label to: Your Provincial Heart Foundation. The address is in your phone book.

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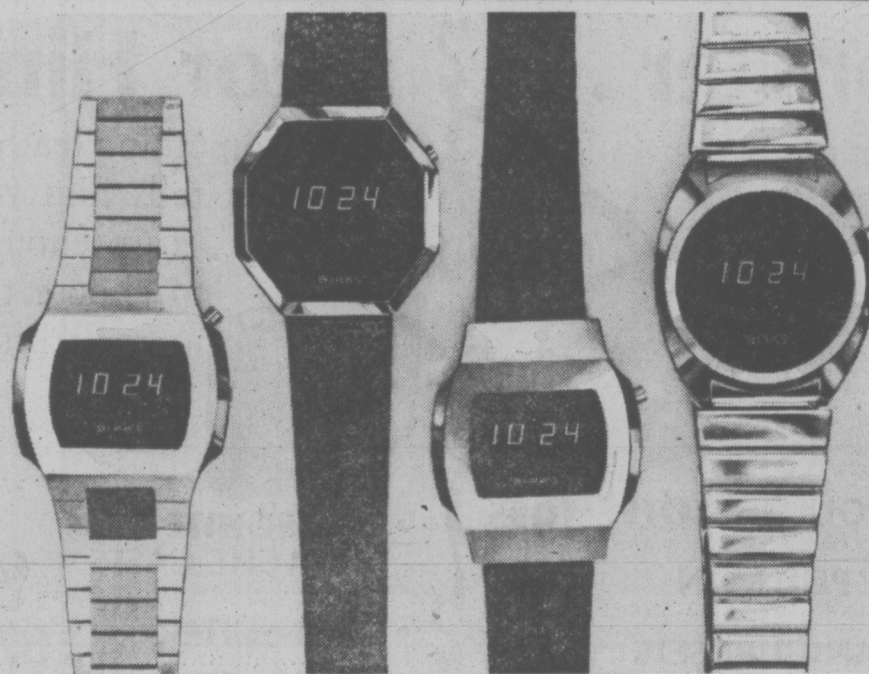
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B. A dressy watch with its clean, modern lines and its attractive, fully polished octagonal case and scratch-resistant mineral glass. Tells you the hour, minutes, seconds, date and the day of the week. With yellow case and strap, \$99.95. The same model with yellow case and bracelet \$125.00.

C. Gives you the hour, minutes, seconds, date and the day of the week. The very modern case has a brushed finish front and bright polished sides. With stainless steel case and strap \$69.95. With yellow case and strap \$74.95.

D. A substantial watch with a stainless steel case, a highstyle, tapered, stainless steel adjustable bracelet, and convenient fold-over clasp. Tells hours, minutes and seconds. \$49.95. The same model, with yellow case, and bracelet, is \$59.95. With stainless steel case and strap, \$44.95. With yellow case and strap, \$49.95.



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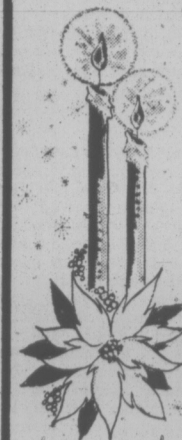
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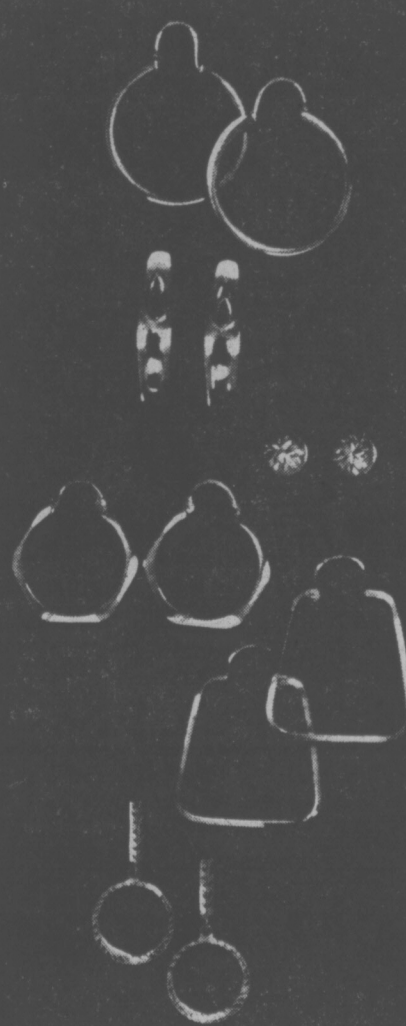
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Doing the Town

With DOROTHY FRASER

For someone who has everything . . .

Looking for a real "fun" gift for someone who has everything? We saw an amusing answer at the Bath Boutique this week. It's called "Big Wheel" . . . a roll of toilet tissue imprinted with \$100 bills . . . not legal tender, but the paper's certainly tender enough! . . . And if you really wanted to do it up proud, you could likewise obtain the tissue holder which is built a neat solid state radio! . . . Something else unusual is "Soaker's Delite" . . . a rubber contraption to slip over your bath overflow valve, thus permitting at least three extra inches of water in the tub! . . . More hints for gifting . . . Carolina has come out with some beautiful soap for children . . . Grape, strawberry, cherry, root beer "flavors" . . . Ideal stocking stuffers, these . . . Then there's the lovely Claire Burke potpourri which Bath Boutique will package up into sachets for you right on the spot. Also cute little baskets with potpourri sachets inside . . . Bath preparations are always a much-appreciated gift . . . especially when they're luxurious like those at Bath Boutique . . . There's Vitabath foaming bath and shower gelee (we've just emerged from a bath with this and can vouch for it's being the ultimate in bathing luxury!) . . . Algernon sea foam bath, imported from Germany, is terrific for the skin . . . Comes in several size bottles . . . one in the shape of a big plastic sea horse! . . . Bath Boutique, James Bay Square, Simcoe and Menzies St., 385-2323.

Canadian handicrafts at their finest

This week on visiting the Handloom, first things to catch our roving eye were the Drahanchuk trivets . . . with interpretations of fossilized life . . . fishes, birds, leaves, etc. impressed into clay . . . Only \$9.50 each . . . and we can't imagine a nicer gift for someone who adores the unusual . . . More new Drahanchuk pieces include ash trays . . . a lovely square, and a big round one to delight the heart of the pipe smoker . . . And vases, stew mugs with handles, a striking round hanging wall plaque . . . all these Drahanchuk pieces very beautiful and intriguing . . . Saw some lovely small bowls by Robert Righton, tagged at just \$6 each . . . and a couple of his big covered casseroles . . . Kakinuma's two new door stoppers . . . a little Japanese boy and girl . . . are completely delightful, and unmistakably Kakinuma! . . . \$38 each . . . In the jewellery line, new arrivals include leather bracelets by Rex Lingwood, done in glorious colors . . . Exquisite enamel work by Sylvester of Quebec silver or copper with enamel pinks, earrings, rings, also miniature plates . . . with delightful designs which we can only describe as primitive in a sophisticated way! . . . Handloom, 625 Trounce Alley, 384-1011 and Empress Hotel, 384-1518.

For men who shop for women

We know some women who like to do their own picking and choosing . . . who have more fun possessing cash-in-hand for the after-Christmas sales than they could possibly get from opening a gift package . . . no matter how glamorous it's wrapped . . . If you're the spouse of such a lady, our advice is to give her a Gift Certificate from Miss Frith's . . . This holds true, too, is you're having trouble making up your mind as to just what will give the most pleasure . . . Get a Miss Frith Gift Certificate for any amount you see fit . . . let the little woman select her own pretties, and she'll bless you from January to next December! . . . But if you want to do your own selecting, well, go to it with our blessing . . . because you can't go far wrong at Miss Frith's . . . You might think in terms of co-ordinated sportswear . . . stunningly styled and perfectly matched . . . Or sweaters . . . an imported handbag . . . dainty evening purses . . . pure silk scarves . . . a glamorous dressing gown . . . a trilly or frankly tailored blouse . . . Moreover, they'll gift wrap your purchases for free . . . And as for the parking problem, forget it! . . . A big free parking lot awaits you behind the store! . . . Miss Frith Fashions, 1619 Douglas St., 383-7181.

Outrageously flattering loungewear!

Small wonder Dion's Boudoir Boutique is always so full of browsers . . . their sleep and loungewear fashions (and you can read "evening" into this latter, too!) . . . are so stunning, so original, so completely and absolutely feminine! . . . And like when we think we've seen everything, more eye-popping things keep arriving! . . . Like the new after-five pantsuits which made their appearance this week . . . One white outfit has a knife-pleated tunic with a camisole top . . . Another is black with narrow shoulder straps . . . And a super one has a long tunic with mandarin collar . . . We also saw new short gaucho pants and tops for at-home entertaining . . . These are the very latest thing we're told . . . Black, flame or jade . . . and we wouldn't know which to choose they're all so chic . . . well calculated to make one the "hostess with the mostest" . . . Getting into more intimate wear, Dion's have beautiful peignoir sets and nighties . . . Lovely slippers and flattering robes . . . We were especially impressed with a washable velour robe in a leopard skin print which one of the girls was modelling on Monday . . . Very plain, beautifully cut . . . with concealed front zipper and raglan sleeves . . . Flattering and practical as all getout! . . . Dion's Boudoir Boutique, Hillside Shopping Centre, 385-5444.

To complete your wardrobe of dinner clothes

Just to get away from Christmas for a moment . . . (though it wouldn't hurt to tell your personal Santa about these if you'd like one) . . . this week at Gibson's we saw the absolutely perfect dress to round out your wardrobe of dinner dresses . . . It's a simply tailored floor-length Ultrasuede shirtdress in the most luscious shade of rose-orchid . . . (A Rodier silk scarf displayed with this looks divine!) . . . There's a duplicate of this dress in beach sand . . . a versatile neutral . . . Truly a dress for all seasons . . . beautifully perfect and perfectly beautiful . . . And can also be worn as an evening coat over something else! . . . Spring things are now arriving at Gibson's . . . Just in are grey flannels . . . Beautifully-cut blazers, straight skirts with front pleat and stitched pockets, impeccable trousers . . . And silk shirts in the same shade of grey with stripes or several different designs . . . Dressy style with tie neck, and tailored shirt with separate tie . . . All these team up for a stunning outfit . . . form a mini-wardrobe which could serve you well at home and abroad . . . All the above mentioned co-ordinates also come in a lovely cream wool . . . definite nice if you're in the South . . . New Hettmarks wool knit coats are in . . . and the cream one would be perfect now for the South-bound . . . Gibson's, 708 View St., 384-5913.


Sweet treats for Yuletide

Somebody on your list got you stymied? . . . Well, not to worry . . . Just go to the nearest Purdy's and feast your eyes on their delectable displays of chocolates and candies to titillate every taste . . . done up in all sorts of festive ways to wish a "sweet" Merry Christmas to young and old alike! . . . For instance, if it's a gift for a family you've got in mind . . . how about one of Purdy's beautiful baskets overflowing with sweets of different kinds to appeal to everyone from toddlers on up? . . . Wrapped in colored cellophane and gay with ribbons and Christmas ornaments . . . two sizes in these . . . And little tree baskets filled with chocolate balls or Party Mix will delight the younger fry, including teenagers . . . Stocking stuffers galore, like chocolate totem poles, Santas, red and white candy canes . . . small boxes of mixed chocolates or Party Mix . . . There are luscious-looking marzipan fruits in open face boxes . . . Yard-long, which everyone gets a bang out of receiving! . . . If you buy over 25 lbs. of Purdy's you get a 10% discount . . . 15% on over 50 lbs. of chocolates, and 20% on over 100 lbs. . . We saw a mouth-watering 10-lb. box of chocolates with a price tag of \$42.50 . . . Thought it would be ideal as a general office gift, among other things! . . . All purchases over 1 lb. are beautifully gift-wrapped . . . just another reason for getting your sweet gifts from . . . Purdy's, Hillside Shopping Centre, 385-1241, Mayfair Shopping Centre, 385-5032, and Empress Hotel, 385-3555.

Oh, to be in England

Springtime in England? Nothing lovelier . . . and no more exciting way of getting there than sailing on the Orana . . . on her once-a-year cruise from Vancouver to Southampton! . . . Departure date is April 23 . . . arriving in England on May 16 . . . after nearly a month cruising down the west coast, through the Panama, into the warm Caribbean and thence across the Atlantic . . . on one of the world's most majestic ocean liners . . . We told you about this cruise a couple of weeks ago, but Paulin's now have brochures which give you all the gen on it . . . Fares for two sharing an inside cabin with shower and toilet start at \$1449 . . . Without facilities, the minimum is \$1092 per person for two sharing . . . We know someone who made this same trip two or three years ago, and she's still full of it! . . . You get to see some fascinating ports of call like Acapulco, Panama, Nassau, Everglades and Bermuda . . . and life aboard ship is a holiday in itself! . . . Let Paulin's book you on this once-a-year sailing . . . then make your return flight reservations . . . But don't wait too long . . . it's a popular trip! . . . From everybody at Paulin Travel, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! . . . Paulin Travel, 532 Broughton St., 382-9168.

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Silicone Implants Found To Be Safe

By LESTER L. COLEMAN, M.D.

I recently had a silicone implant in my chin. The plastic surgeon that performed the operation assured me that it was 100 per cent safe. I read the other day that silicone injections are dangerous. Now I am worried, puzzled and stuck with it. — Mrs. P.L. Deers Mrs. L.

The use of a solution of silicone for injection into the breasts to make them larger has been discontinued.

It is now used only when in a protective plastic gel that prevents foreign body reactions in the soft tissue.

Undoubtedly, the plastic implant in your chin is of the safe type. This will cause no foreign body reaction. You may be assured that your plastic surgeon would not

have used this type of implant if there were any possibility that it would be harmful to you.

I'm 26 and have had repeated attacks of throat infection. My tonsils and the glands in the neck become swollen. Otherwise my health is normal. Can you tell me if these infections can permanently harm me? — Mrs. S.L. Dear Mrs. L.


Repeated infections of the tonsils associated with swollen glands of the neck are not life-threatening infections. Nevertheless, attention should be paid to the possibility of removing the tonsils in an effort to reduce the frequency, the severity, the duration and the possible complications of these infections.

At 26 there is no danger in the operation. The recovery period is rapid and uncomplicated.

After consultation with your doctor, the advice of a throat specialist should be sought. It is best for him to see you when you are both free of infection and when you are having an attack. In this way, he can best evaluate the need for surgery.

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He May Be Sweet, But He Is Married

DEAR ABBY: A year ago I fell in love with a married man who has three children. We didn't plan for this to happen, it just did. It's not one of those fly-by-night affairs; we genuinely love each other.

Lately the subject of leaving his wife keeps coming up. He is all for it, but I'm not so sure. I would love to marry him, but I don't want to cause his family any grief. From what he's told me, his wife is a lovely person and a good mother, and I know he's crazy about his children.

I feel like a homewrecker, but I don't want to lose him. I had almost given up on the male species before I met him. Abby, he is by far the sweetest and most loving man I've ever known, and I'm sure he really loves me.

Any suggestion you might have would be greatly appreciated. I'm terribly mixed up and don't know what to do. — **FEELING GUILTY.**

DEAR FEELING: Send your married man home to his wife and children and tell him to stay there.

You can't build happiness on the misery of others, and that's what you'd be doing were you to allow him to leave his wife and family for you. And by the way, nobody "falls in love." They dig their way into it.

DEAR ABBY: How do you feel about a male teacher in a public school telling his sixth grade students dirty jokes? I don't mean cute little off-color suggestive stories; I mean jokes in which he used vulgar four-letter words.

My 11-year-old sister came home from school one day with one such joke that her teacher had told the class. She said the kids thought it was "neat" that their teacher treated them in such an "adult" manner. He also said, "And if you tell anyone I've told you these jokes I won't tell you any more."

My mother and I are very angry with this teacher and wonder what action we should take, if any. — **CONCERNED.**

DEAR CONCERNED: Get in touch with the teacher and tell him what you've heard. If he denies it, you may need supporting evidence from at least one other student. The

offending teacher should then be reported to the principal.

DEAR ABBY: You wrote: "Hitting a child hard enough to hurt him will only teach a child that violence is the answer to all conflicts."

Your words caused me to recall a quote from the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s book, "Why Can't We Wait?"

"Man was born into barbarism. He becomes endowed with a conscience. And he has now reached the day when violence toward another human being must become as abhorrent as eating another's flesh." — **ARTHUR H. PRINCE.**

DEAR ARTHUR: A beautiful quote from a "Prince" by a "King." Thanks for sharing.

Cancer Victim Celebrates

CALGARY (CP) — Calgary cancer victim Carol McLuskey will celebrate her 44th birthday next Monday, with hope for a brand new life and a big thank-you for the people whose generosity made it possible.

Carol is in a Texas cancer clinic recovering from a costly operation that successfully removed a tumor from her ovaries. The operation was made possible by \$8,000 raised jointly in Calgary and in Carol's birthplace, Glasgow, Scotland.

"If it hadn't been for the help of my brother who raised the money in Scotland and the good people of Calgary, we could never have afforded the operation," Carol's father Andrew McLuskey said in a telephone interview from Houston Thursday.

The McLuskeys, who emigrated from Scotland in 1972, were told early last year that Carol had cancer. She received radiation treatment in an Edmonton cancer clinic for 18 months but doctors there recommended the U.S. operation.

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By MAY E. MacLEAN

This week I am devoting to kids and suggestions for my readers who neither knit or crochet, but can sew and make some of their smaller Christmas gifts.

The first one which comes to mind is a glove puppet. I know my children loved these when they were small, in fact my boy had quite a collection, which now comes out to amuse his nephew! No. 6876 is a Clown made from three

Knit And Chat

pieces of felt which can be bought in a dime store, plus a few hours of your time to embroider the face, etc. Full instructions and pattern are on leaflet No. 6876.

No. 6950, Elmer the Elephant, made from a piece of felt 24x18-inches plus buttons and kapok. Full instructions are on Leaflet No. 6951.

Then there is a bunny, the soft cuddly type you can give to a very small child. Full directions for him are on Leaflet No. 6951.

A felt embroidered poncho would delight the heart of any teenager, and full instructions for this poncho are on leaflet No. 6956. Three yarn dolls which I have mentioned in a previous column are on leaflet No. 7055. Their bodies are made from scraps of fabric while their arms and legs are braided wool or yarn.

A dappled fawn can be made from three pieces of felt or material nine inches square and scraps of white and brown, with kapok for stuffing. These directions are on leaflet No. 7057. An adorable puppy can be made from a quarter of a yard of material, half a yard of ribbon, white wool for a tail and buttons for eyes. His directions are on leaflet No. 7152.

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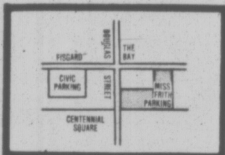
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DEAR B.B.: Standard length toenails provide some extra traction in snow, but are less valuable on ice. Extra long nails would be no help in snow and would make traction on ice even more difficult than usual.

DEAR DR. MILLER: Cleo, my Siamese cat, has an amazing facility. One day she looks skinny as a rail, the very next like she's full-term pregnant. This goes on all the time, looking skinny one day and fat the next. It amazes me. How can she accomplish it? — T.C.

DEAR T.C.: It's less of an accomplishment, actually, than a condition, probably a pathological one at that. Cleo's lean-to-loaded syndrome is more than likely related to a gastro-intestinal disturbance including bloating. Her doctor can probably help you solve the mystery (could be anything from a food allergy to parasites). Take along a stool sample for analysis when she's checked.

DEAR DR. MILLER: When a parakeet keeps its feathers fluffed up most of the time, I'm told it could be sick.

right? Doesn't a bird fluff up its feathers just because it's cold? If so, then how do you tell the difference? — O.R.

DEAR O.R.: Frequently there is no difference. The feather-fluffing does so primarily to conserve body heat. Both birds are chilling to some degree, the healthy bird because of drafts or simply a lower than normal body temperature; the sick bird possibly for the above reasons but also because the body heat can't adequately conserve body heat even when there are no drafts or a temperature drop. Both birds would need draft protection and temperature correction. A sick bird usually benefits from a steady temperature 10 to 15 degrees above normal (in the 85 degree F. range). If the bird is still fluffy-feathered in a draft-free normal temperature, it's safest to assume it is sick and get it in to a bird-oriented veterinarian at once. Remember, the bird that is obviously sick

and non-responsive is often so ill that it can't be saved under any circumstances. A bird with a better chance of survival is one taken in for a checkup while there's still doubt in the owner's mind whether or not it actually needs the examination.

DEAR DR. MILLER: We noticed on our trip through India those poor people had to fight so many rats. They must carry a lot of disease there. Don't they have enough cats, or what? — T.D.

DEAR T.D.: India's raucous rats, cousins of our "own" domestic brown rat, *Rattus rattus*, are figured to total more than four and a half billion. They're not only disease carriers, they consume or destroy a hundred million tons of grain a year, equivalent to more than half the grain consumption in India. Cats could help. Snakes, however, have always done a reasonable job of rat control until they themselves have been hunted down for their "hides." India now restricts snake-skinning in the hope of eventually restoring enough snake "rat-snackers" to restore the natural balance between the two.

DEAR DR. MILLER: Our

Man Committed
VANCOUVER (CP) — Real Carrier, 30, charged with murder in the Dec. 11 fatal stabbing of Joseph Beruschi, 45, was found unfit to stand trial when he appeared in provincial court Friday. Judge David Moffett committed carrier to Riverview Hospital.

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By LYNN and JOEL RAIP

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Two 18-year-old Saanich men were found guilty in county court Friday of their over \$200 but Judge E. J. C. Stewart granted them a conditional discharge.

Jeffrey Kenneth Gill, 1169 Burnside West, and Keith Edward Mack, 1100 Burnside West, were accused of stealing nine fire extinguishers, four fire bells, four emergency lights and two glass fire exit signs from an apartment building at 885 Dunsuir in Esquimalt July 26.

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SMITHERS (CP) — British Columbia needs some mechanism to equalize the price of natural gas across the province, Canadian Cellulose Co. Ltd. told the B.C. Energy Commission here Friday.

Canadian Cellulose was presenting evidence at a hearing into a Pacific Northern Gas Ltd. application to raise gas prices 14 per cent for industrial and residential users in northwestern B.C.

Pacific Northern told the commission the increase has been forced by the closure of Canadian Cellulose's Prince Rupert sulphite mill.

Conference on Family Demise Riles Barrett

Opposition leader Dave Barrett Friday expressed anger at a decision by the provincial government to cut off funds to the Conference on the Family.

The conference, started by the NDP government in 1975, received \$33,000 the first year, \$32,000 in 1976 and would have asked for \$30,000 for 1977. Barrett said the cost of the state ball in January would cover the costs of the conference. The NDP did not have a ball when they were in office and they have said they will not attend the one in January, which coincides with the opening of the legislature.

Canon Hilary Butler, Conference of the Family chairman, said he received a letter from Human Resources Minister Bill Vander Zalm saying funds would not be available this year.

Butler said the conference in 1975 and 1976 attracted about 200 community leaders from across the province and has received world-wide recognition.

Its aim is to identify family problems and to encourage the development of educational, recreational and medical programs that would help to bring solutions.

The program had just entered its third phase, Butler said, and had intended to hire a full-time paid staff member to advise and co-ordinate the projects.

"We've been left high and dry," he said. The group has written to Premier Bill Bennett and to Deputy Premier and Provincial Secretary Grace McCarthy in the hope of receiving financing from some other government department, but so far, there has been no response.

Vander Zalm's objection to the program, Butler said, seems to be that it is province-wide.

"It seems that he (Vander Zalm) is only interested in locally-proposed projects," he said.

Vander Zalm could not be reached for comment.

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King, Kennedy: 800 Questions

WASHINGTON (AP) — A draft report by a House of Representatives committee on assassinations says there are 800 unanswered questions surrounding the deaths of President John F. Kennedy and Dr. Martin Luther King, Representative Walter Fauntroy (Dem.-D.C.) said Friday.

Fauntroy said that 600 unanswered questions involve the 1963 slaying of King and 200 questions relate to the 1963 murder of Kennedy.

In an interview conducted prior to the closed session, Fauntroy, chairman of the subcommittee investigating the King murder, cited the following examples of unanswered questions he said needed to be investigated:

—Why was James Earl Ray, who pleaded guilty to killing King, not questioned about his statement that he disagreed with assertions by his own lawyer and the prosecution that no conspiracy was involved?

—What did Ray tell his defence lawyers that led them to believe he acted alone?

—How did Ray pay for his flight to Europe following the murder of King?

—How can a fellow be sophisticated enough to get three passports yet not be bright enough to get out of a building without dropping a gun with his fingerprints on it?

—If King were under "such great surveillance" by the FBI as previously documented by the U.S. Senate intelligence committee, "where were they" at the time of his death?

—Why was a black police sergeant in charge of providing security for King in Memphis sent home shortly before the shooting?

All of the questions have been raised in public before. Fauntroy, who had a copy of the draft report in front of him as he spoke, did not give examples of unanswered questions in the Kennedy assassination.

But it is understood the committee is concentrating on certain unanswered questions involving surveillance of Lee Harvey Oswald in Mexico City by the Central Intelligence Agency City two months before Kennedy's assassination.

CANADIAN SHOWS AMERICANS HOW

VANCOUVER (CP) — "Americans are always ripping Canada off," says Robert Lee. "I wanted to show them how a Canadian can make it and I guess I've done it."

What Lee has done is turn the California liquor business on its ear with a discount store that is jammed with customers.

The 27-year-old Vancouver businessman has just won an appeal against three citations by the state beverage control board for selling liquor at less than the generally-agreed price.

"It took a guy from Canada to straighten this thing out," said Lee in a long-distance telephone interview from Oakland Friday.

The board accepted Lee's argument that he should be able to sell his liquor at what

ever margin he likes. That margin is slim.

A half-gallon of brandy that sells for \$13.59 on Christmas sales in chain store outlets costs Lee's customers a bargain \$10.95.

"I'll do \$5 million trade in liquor this year," says Lee, who got his start in Oakland four years ago with a loan from a Vancouver bank.

The Simon Fraser University graduate owns two liquor stores, an electronics company and said he is building the largest nightclub west of the Mississippi.

In the meantime, Lee is happy to report his competitors have been unable to match his liquor prices.

"It keeps us busy though," he said. "I don't even answer the phone anymore because I haven't time to talk to anybody."

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Islands and recent visits to the Gulf Islands.

Skipper and owner Brian Burkholder at the age of 27 has about 14 years experience behind him as fisherman and logger. Born and raised in Bamfield, he early made the acquaintance of Shantymen working in the Pacific ministry around Camp Ross.

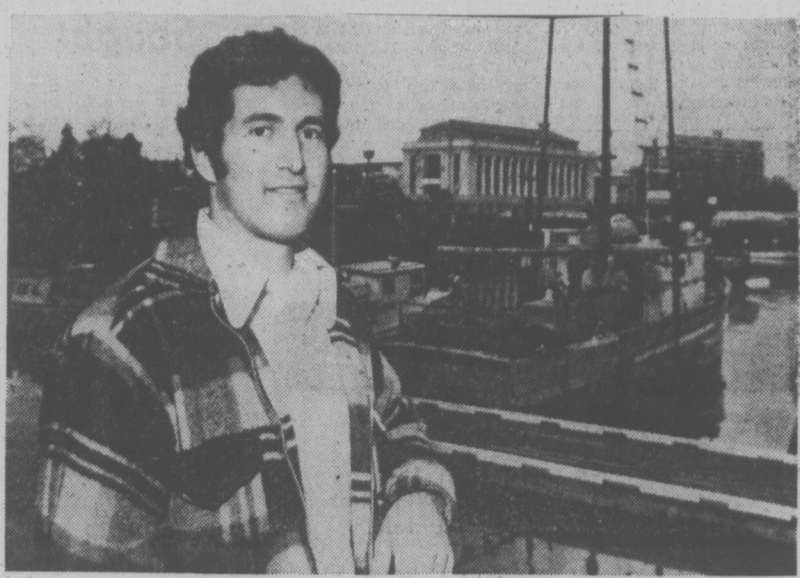
And now he's following that ministry himself, working as a student missionary and skipping his boat into out-of-the-way places where Shantymen haven't been for years. The trips to Alaska and the Queen Charlottes may be just a one-time happening, but Burkholder isn't worried about it.

"It's all in God's hands," he said, talking just like a Shantymen. "He does it all. We don't do anything."

This might seem hard to believe for anyone who has seen the Shantymen at work.

They don't shrink from any kind of work and part of their training could be equated to a pioneer survival course.

Joan McKee, who, with husband Ron is on staff at the Shantymen's Camp Ross near



Burkholder and Kolberg in Inner Harbor

Bamfield, was aboard the Kolberg this week. "The courses we give are practical training," she said.

"They are specially geared for out-of-the-way places. In addition to Bible knowledge, there are children's programs to learn as well as finding, how to repair tires, chop wood, build a fire and cook a meal with no commercial foods."

"We learn to make bread, garden, preserve food, raise pigs and butcher them."

She told about the "faith mission" of the Shantymen which spells out that "God will supply our needs."

That's the way it's been with missionaries who have moved into areas where help was needed even though they themselves had no firm means of support.

"The Lord moves the hearts of people to help," Joan explained, "and that's the way it works out. It happens too often just to be coincidence."

Debbie Forney was in the boat's snug cabin here this week. She works fulltime as a missionary in Victoria, calling on the elderly, Gloria Troll of Camp Ross was there. She looks after children's camps.

Eleanor Gillett, an RN at Royal Jubilee Hospital, was there. She said she'd be heading to Camp Ross come summer to get more training.

Skipper Burkholder said the Lord was at work in sending the trawler on its mission.

Part of the trip was paid for by Canadian Wildlife Federation, which sent biologist Ken Summers on a bird census of the Charlottes.

"We went into every inlet of the Queen Charlottes," Burkholder said, "and I really liked that because, ever since

I have been tuna fishing up there, I'd always wanted to do that."

While Summers was counting birds, Jim McAlonan, another missionary, visited the lonely houses along the shore and Burkholder kept the trawler at anchor.

"That's the only way one can get ashore in many parts of the islands because of the terrain."

"We called at one little settlement," the skipper said, "where they hadn't seen a religious visitor in more than 30 years. At another stop, the young resident couple said they were 40 miles or five hours by boat (in good weather, that is) from the nearest neighbor."

Are there opportunities for young people with the Shantymen? There certainly are, according to Joan McKee.

There is year-round field training at Camp Ross in a program based on the word of God and geared to build spiritually sound, physically fit persons. Training members work under the direction of Shantymen missionaries and learn by doing.

They learn a lot about the Bible. And they learn skills like trail evangelism which, to a Shantymen, is supplying information, refreshments, medical aid and a share of faith in Jesus Christ to hikers on the famed West Coast Trail.

Roy Gelman, 673 Winchester, Nanaimo, who is superintendent for the Island, receives inquiries and applications. And Percy Wills, at 595-8051 in Victoria knows a lot about the Shantymen, too.

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WEDNESDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 1 p.m., chess club; 1:15, singing; 2, concert — Silver Threads Service Choir; 7:20, whist.
THURSDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 2 p.m., old time dance.
FRIDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 1:30 p.m., choir practice.
SATURDAY — Centre closed for Christmas Day.
SUNDAY — 1-4 p.m., drop-in.
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TUESDAY — 9:30 a.m., carpet bowling; 11:30, hot meal; 1 p.m., chess, billiards; 1:30, progressive whist, billiards.
WEDNESDAY — 11:30 a.m., lunch; 1:30 p.m., carol sing - song; 7:30, Vancouver Island Netherlands Choir concert, 286 Hampton Rd.
THURSDAY — 9:30 a.m., carpet bowling; 11:30, lunch; 1 p.m., progressive and contract bridge.
FRIDAY — 9:30 a.m., carpet bowling; 11:30, lunch, drop-ins; 7:30 p.m., progressive whist.
SATURDAY — centre closed for Christmas Day.
Tickets on sale for New Year's Eve dance.
ESQUIMALT
MONDAY — Noon: soup and sandwich luncheon; drop-in all day; 2:45 five-pin bowling at Town and Country,
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TUESDAY — 10 a.m. baking bee with Willie Dennis; noon, soup and sandwich luncheon; 1:30, carpet bowling; 2 p.m., swimming for seniors with instruction, sauna and whirlpool. Drop in all day.
WEDNESDAY — Drop in all day. Christmas Dinner. (Tickets must be purchased in advance) 1:15 Christmas sing song with Silver Singers.
THURSDAY — Drop in all day. Noon: hot lunch.
FRIDAY — 10 a.m. Learn to carpet bowl; drop in all day.
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MONDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., quilting, ceramics; 11 a.m., health course; noon, lunch; 1 p.m., ceramics, creative writing; 2 p.m., films; 7:30 p.m. macrame.
TUESDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., oil painting, serenaders; noon, lunch; 1 p.m., crochet, oil painting; 1:15 p.m., whist; 7 p.m., shuffleboard, table tennis.
WEDNESDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., rug-hooking, novelties, mah-jongg; noon, hot dinner; 1 a.m., discussion group; 2 p.m., concert, Serenaders.
THURSDAY — 9 a.m., centre opens, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m. weaving, carpet bowling; 11 a.m., lunch; 1 a.m. dressmaking, bridge; 7 p.m., crib.
FRIDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., keep fit, needle point, quilting; noon, lunch; 1 p.m., knitting; 1:30, stretch and sew; 2 p.m. jacks; 7 p.m., evening cards.
SATURDAY — 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., open for drop-ins.
SUNDAY — 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., open for drop ins.
Morning coffee, afternoon teas served every day. Senior citizens of the district visitors welcome. The centre will be closed on Dec. 27 and 28 — but will open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for drop-ins.

Ecumenical spirit welcomes rabbi



Wendy Caine, 12, right, lights Hanukkah candles with rabbi and Mark Scherzer, 10.

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The spirit of ecumenism was demonstrated Sunday in Temple Emanuel at the official installation of Rabbi Leo Abramson as the new spiritual leader of Victoria's Jewish community.

After the installation by Rabbi Moshe Pomerantz of Congregation Herzl-Ner Tamid of Seattle, Abramson was welcomed by Rev. Dr. A. E. King of Metropolitan United Church as president of the Greater Victoria Council of Churches.

He was also welcomed by Rev. Philip Hanley, representing Roman Catholic Bishop Remi De Roo; Rev. William Mundy, Anglican chaplain of the ecumenical ministry at the University of Victoria; and Rev. George Braun of the Mennonite Church-Saanich Community.

who is a member of the Evangelical Pastors Fellowship.

Charles Waldman, president of the congregation, told the gathering, attended by many members of the Jewish community, that he could find no reference of such an ecumenical occasion in the 113-year history of the temple.

What he might not have heard was that Anglicans had contributed to the building of the synagogue, oldest in continuous use west of the Great Lakes, and that Victoria Jews had returned the compliment in the 1920s by giving to the

building fund of Christ Church Anglican Cathedral.

Waldman told Pomerantz that the congregation had arranged to have five trees planted in his honor in Canada Park, which is between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv in Israel.

Pomerantz, in his induction address, said a rabbi was like an architect but it was his job to build a temple of the human spirit. Abramson was well-suited for the job, he said, describing him as a man of deep erudition and great compassion, with a wealth of experience and maturity born of years of study all over the world.

The new rabbi was born and educated in Paris. He studied at the Sorbonne, University of Geneva and Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati,

where he was ordained in 1963.

He has served congregations in Guatemala City, Curacao and Berkeley, Calif., where he was also president of the interfaith council and chairman of the California chapter of the World Council of Religion and Peace.

He is writing a doctoral dissertation on the sociology of the family and intends to devote time to the practice of marriage counselling.

Abramson is busy this week with the festival of Hanukkah, which began Thursday and will last for eight days.

On each night Jewish families all over the world light candles, one for the first night, two for the second and so on until there are eight candles burning in addition to the shamash (helper) candle with which the others are lit.

RELIGION

Editor: Don Gair

Female priests defended

The first ordination of women to the priesthood in the Anglican Church of Canada has taken place.

Six women have already been ordained and six others will be ordained within the next month.

One of those to be ordained early in January is Rev. Joy Ruddock, a native Victorian who has been exercising her ministry in Manitoba.

A woman hospital chaplain in Saskatoon will be ordained to the priesthood Sunday. These two, and the other four soon to be ordained, are at present deacons, and have been in charge of parishes for some years. For these women, ordination to the priesthood is their final acceptance in the ordained ministry.

It is not to be wondered at that this break with a tradition of almost 2,000 years has caused controversy and concern to some in the church.

Among those most deeply concerned is Dean Brian Whitlow, rector of Christ Church Cathedral, of which parish I am a member.

He expressed his concern in a letter which appeared on these pages last week. This letter was written primarily for his own parishioners to make clear to them his own position, and that of his colleagues on this issue.

Following is Miss Scott's reply to Dean Whitlow:

He stated that he cannot accept the ordinations as valid, nor the women as priests. I cannot agree with this.

On these pages last week, a letter circulated by Dean Brian Whitlow to his parishioners at Christ Church Cathedral, taking a stand against the ordination of women, was printed verbatim. Also published was a statement by Dr. Walter Barss, a Uvic professor and Anglican layman, who is a delegate to his church's general synod. He said that the ordination of women was a decision made in 1975 and that he was a member of the committee that recommended it. He said that the ordination of women was a decision made in 1975 and that he was a member of the committee that recommended it. He said that the ordination of women was a decision made in 1975 and that he was a member of the committee that recommended it.



Ruth Scott

which is ratified and sealed by the Church through the grace of ordination.

This conviction, and my own ministry in the Church, led me to take an active part in promoting the ordination of women, not only in presenting the resolutions in favor of this at the last two general synods, but several years previous to that.

A great deal of emphasis has been placed on the divisive effect that the ordination of women will make in the church. I maintain that it will, in the end, have the exact opposite effect, and could become eventually one of the greatest unifying factors of this century in all Christian churches.

Song services

A Christmas song service, completely in the Dutch language, will be given at 8 p.m. Thursday in Emmanuel Baptist Church, 2121 Cedar Hill Cross Road.

The service is inter-denominational and the public is invited to hear the old familiar songs and music in Dutch.

Benjamin Britten's A-Ceremony of Carols will be performed by the A Cappella Singers at the 7:30 p.m. Sunday service in Metropolitan United Church.

The women's chamber choir was formed last year by its director, Ian Bradley of the music education faculty of the University of Victoria.

Also on the program will be several carol settings by English and Canadian composers. Brian Benn, on holiday from his studies at the University of Toronto Opera House, will be the assisting vocal soloist.

The Christmas story will be told in music and narration at the 11 a.m. service Christmas Day in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 983 Pandora.

A mixed chorus will be directed by the pastor, Donald Melashenko, who will also give the narration. A special feature will be the Bell Ringers presenting Christmas music. In the group are Edythe White, William White, Patricia Penner, Kathleen Piper, Dr. R. Matko, Dr. A.

V. Piper and Dr. Luke Sitt-Ling Tsai.

The choir of Gordon United Church, 935 Goldstream, Langford, will present the Christmas cantata Love Transcending by John Peterson at the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services Sunday.

Familiar songs and carols are used in the cantata such as We Three Kings, O Holy Night and others.

Soloists are Andy Foley, Alma Buchanan, Lois Klanssen and Gladys Dexter. Clarice Dixon and Chuck Warr will sing a duet. The narrator is Rev. Fred Anderson.

The cantata will be videotaped by Channel 10 for rebroadcast in Christmas week.

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9:45 — Sunday School
11:00 — Morning Worship — 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship — 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Carl Klassen
479-4431 384-3444

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS
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MEETING FOR WORSHIP
SUNDAY 11 A.M.
VISITORS WELCOME
1831 FERN ST.

UNITARIAN CHURCH
Community Church
106 Superior Street
10:30 a.m. CHRISTMAS FAMILY SERVICE
Everyone Welcome

LUTHERAN
LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS
Cedar Hill and Cedar Hill Cross Roads
Alfred J. C. Johnson, Pastor, 477-3851
10:30 a.m. — Divine Worship Service
11:00 a.m. — Sunday School
Bible Class

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
1273 Fort St. 383-2524
Lutheran Church in America
(Academy Central Junior High)
11 a.m. — Worship with Holy Communion
7 p.m. — Christmas Films
Minister: Rev. Ronald Nelson
Come, let us worship the Lord!

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH
1924 Carrick Street off Paul Bay
The Rev. L. M. Carlson, Pastor, 392-2008
SUNDAY
9:45 — Church School and Bible Class
11:00 — Divine Worship Service
Xmas Eve Service 7:15 p.m.
Xmas Day Service 10 a.m.
ALL WELCOME
A Church of "The Lutheran Hour" and "This is the Life"

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
2815 Cedar Hill Road
Rev. Fred Knobel, Pastor
10 a.m. — English Service
11 a.m. — German Service
11 a.m. — Sunday School

REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH
Corner Jackson and Jenkins
9:45 a.m. — Sunday School
11 a.m. — Worship Service
Minister: Herman Bickel, 478-8850

PSYCHIC SCIENCE
VICTORIA CENTRE OF PSYCHIC SCIENCE
819 Fort Street
Sundays, 11 a.m.
Worship and Social Fellowship
Clearing and Every Service
Monday, 7 p.m. — 9 p.m.
Healing and Social Fellowship

SAANICH COMMUNITY CHURCH
900 Fairmount Road, 384-8841
10:00 — Family Worship
11:00 — Bible and Spiritual Classes
Pastor — G. L. Braun, 477-4111

Anglican

Christ church cathedral
Quadra at Courtney
2 blocks up from Douglas
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Family Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist
5:15 p.m. Holy Eucharist
7:30 p.m. Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

WEEKDAYS
Mornings 9:00 a.m.
Evenings 5:15 p.m.
Holy Eucharist
Tues. and Wed. 11:00 a.m.
Thursday 7:30 a.m.
Fri. 12:15 noon

CHRISTMAS EVE
11:00 p.m.
First Eucharist of Christmas
CHRISTMAS DAY
7:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
9:30 a.m. Family Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Sung Eucharist

St. John's
QUADRA AT MASON
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Family Service
Sunday School, (Nursery Facilities)
11:00 a.m. Choral Communion
7:30 p.m. Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols
Sung by Candlelight
THURSDAY
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

ST. BARNABAS
Belmont and Begbie
7:45 a.m. Mattins and Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Litany, Sung Mass
Nursery Facilities Available
7:30 p.m. Evensong
HOLY COMMUNION DAILY
Canon R. L. Page, 383-8242

ST. DUNSTAN'S
Tyndal and San Juan
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
10:00 a.m. Family Eucharist
Rector: The Rev. W. J. Lunn

ST. GEORGE THE MARTYR
Cadbore Bay Road and Maynard Street
Rev. Barry Jenks, 477-0705
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Family Eucharist and Church School
11:00 a.m. Choral Eucharist
HOLY COMMUNION
Tuesday, 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, 10:00 a.m.
Friday, 11:30 p.m.

St. Luke's
Cor. Cedar Hill and Cedar Hill X Rd.
Rector: The Venerable C.E.F. Wolff
Organist: Dr. Ian L. Bradley
8:00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION
9:30 a.m. FAMILY EUCHARIST
11:00 a.m. "THE FESTIVAL OF THE NINE CAROLS"
7:30 p.m. EVENSONG and CAROLS

ST. MARY'S ELGIN ROAD
The Parish Church of Oak Bay
The Ven. Hywel J. Jones, L.Th., Rector
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion
9:30 a.m. Family Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Mattins
Teacher: The Rector
4:00 p.m. Carol Service
SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 a.m. White Gift Sunday
THURSDAY
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

ST. MATTHIAS
Richmond at Richardson
Rector:
Canon W. E. Greenhalgh, L.Th. Assistant
Rev. David Fuller, B.Sc., M.Div.
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist
Church School, Nursery
4:00 p.m. Festival of the Nine Lessons
(Carol Service)
THURSDAYS
10:30 a.m. Holy Communion

St. Peter's
ANGELICAN CHURCH
Serving the Lake Hill Community
9:00 a.m. Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. "Nine Lessons and Carols"
Rev. W. B. Munday, 382-4848

St. Philip's
Neil Street and Eastside Road
Rector — Rev. D. Neil Robinson
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:15 a.m. Family Eucharist
11:00 a.m. Choral Communion
7:30 p.m. All in a Family
HOLY COMMUNION
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, 10:00 a.m.
Ramp for Wheelchairs

BRENTWOOD COLLEGE MEMORIAL CHAPEL
782 Sea Drive, Brentwood Bay
Every Sunday at 11 a.m.
Rector: Rev. W. A. Dobson
652-3860

ST. DAVID BY THE SEA
3184 Cordova Bay Rd.
Rector: Rt. Rev. R. J. Pierce
8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
9:45 a.m. Holy Communion
3:00 p.m. Sunday School
Church Pageant
7:30 p.m. Carol Service

UNITED
FAIRFIELD UNITED CHURCH
Moss at Fairfield
Minister: Rev. H. W. Kerley
Organist: Dr. I. A. N. Beattie
Family Service 9:45 a.m.
Service of Worship 11 a.m.

United

FIRST UNITED CHURCH

Quadra at Balmoral
MORNING WORSHIP
11:00 A.M.
CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY
CHRISTMAS SERVICE
Sermonette
"THE CHRISTMAS TREE SPEAKS"
Rev. Hugh M. Hunter
Nursery and toddler facilities available
8:00 P.M.
AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC
With choral and congregational singing, orchestra and organ.

METROPOLITAN UNITED CHURCH

Pandora at Quadra Street
CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
11:00 a.m.
Excerpts from MESSIAH
by SACRATARY CHOIR
Christmas Meditation
Dr. A. E. King
7:30 p.m. Benjamin Britten's "CEREMONY OF CAROLS" and selected carols by A CAPPELLA SINGERS
December 24, 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve
Nativity Pageant
Choir Director: Beth M. B.A. B.Ed.
Organist: Ursula Thomas, L.R.S.M.

CENTENNIAL UNITED CHURCH

Gorge Road and David Street
(Opp. Colons Motor Inn)
Minister: Rev. John Travis
11:00 A.M.
CAROLS BY THE CHOIRS
WITH GUEST SOLOIST: NAN LONG
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24th
7:30 P.M. CHRISTMAS EVE
FAMILY SERVICE
DRAMATIZATION: "THE STORY OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE"
ORGANIST: Ernest Williams

ST. AIDAN'S UNITED CHURCH

Richmond at Cedar Hill X Road
Ministers: Rev. J. Rae Allan
Rev. Clare Holmes
Music Director: Vera Barclay
Organist: Henry Phym
ADVENT WORSHIP
9:30 a.m. Christmas Family Service
11:00 a.m. Special Christmas Music
Rev. Clare A. Holmes
7:30 p.m. CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
The Four Choirs
9:30 a.m. All Sunday School Cassettes
Creche provided at both services

OAK BAY UNITED

Mitchell and Granite
Minister: Rev. W. Van Druen
Minister Emeritus: Dr. D. B. Sparling
Organist: R. Krueger
Youth Director: Ron Fuller
11:00 a.m.
"NO VACANCY"
Nursery 11 a.m.

belmont avenue united church

2821 Belmont at Pymhake, 384-026
Minister: Rev. Robert F. McPherson
11:00 a.m. CHRISTMAS SERVICE
7 p.m. C.G.I.T. Vesper Service
Sunday School and Nursery Care

CADBORO BAY UNITED

2825 ARBUTUS ROAD
Minister: Dr. R. A. McLaren
TWO FAMILY CHRISTMAS SERVICES
9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
A CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 7 P.M.
for the whole family

ESQUIMALT UNITED CHURCH

ADMIRALS AND LYALL
CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
11 a.m. Christmas Family Service
7 p.m. White Gift Family Service
— gifts of food and money for Upper Room and Christmas Bureau
All Welcome

A Warm Welcome for You At GORDON HEAD UNITED CHURCH

Corner of Tyndal and San Juan
11:10 a.m.
"CHRISTMAS REALLY IS . . ."
The Pageant — "The Magi"
Nursery
Rev. Frank Patterson, 477-6505

James Bay United

511 Michigan Street
A friendly church serving the whole community since 1891
Rev. R. H. Dobson, Minister
CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
11:00 a.m. Family Christmas Service
7:00 p.m. RENEWAL SERVICE
The Grace of God
FRIDAY, DEC. 24 — 7 P.M.
CHRISTMAS EVE COMMUNION
All God's children are welcome.



amid all the colored lights and tinsel excitement of the holiday preparations,

let us keep in mind the purpose of this

joyful occasion and give some thought

to the One whose birthday we are preparing

to celebrate. Remember that although

He lived a very short life span, in an

obscure manner, in a sparsely populated

area. He did more than all the great

rulers of the world combined to change

the course of its history. Honor the

birthday of the Son of God by attending

Christmas services at the Church of your

choice; and learn to follow His teachings

there every Sunday.

The Daily Colonist and The Victoria Times

will be publishing the weekly Church Page

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 24th

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31st

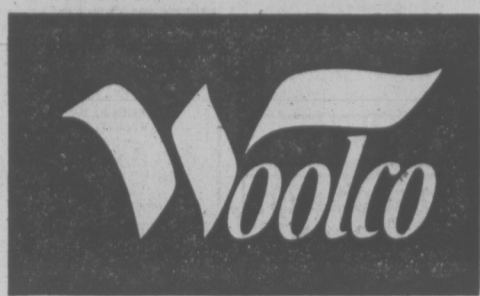
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Adventists boost crisis fund

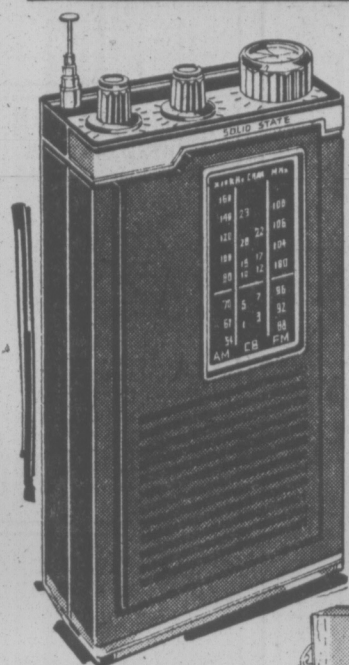
Victoria Seventh-day Adventists have collected \$5,600 for the church's annual world service appeal, pastor Donald Melashenko announced this week.

"The residents of Victoria have always responded generously and this year is no exception," Melashenko said.

"Since these funds were solicited by our members on a volunteer basis, there is no overhead and the total amount will be channelled to humanitarian needs."



It's almost here! Only 5 Shopping Days



'Janco' AM/FM/CB Portable Radio

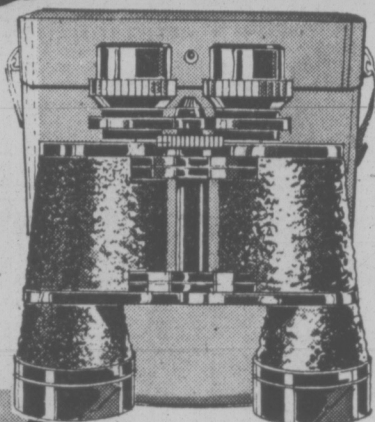
Listen to this value! Attractive, compact Portable Radio with AM/FM bands plus 23 Citizen Band channels on continuous tuning system. Comes complete with wrist chain.

19⁹⁹
each

Superb Optics! 7x 50 mm Binoculars

Feature, full-size prisms; fully coated optics; centre focus; 2 sets of filters; straps and genuine leather case.

34⁹⁵
each



'Agfa' Compact Pocket Camera

Soft shutter release ensures sharper pictures. 3-element lens; batteryless flash; push-pull film advance; 2 colour films, magicube and wriststrap.

34⁹⁹
complete

Woolco Colour Print Film
Type 110-12, 126-12, 110-20, 126-20, 135-30 available.

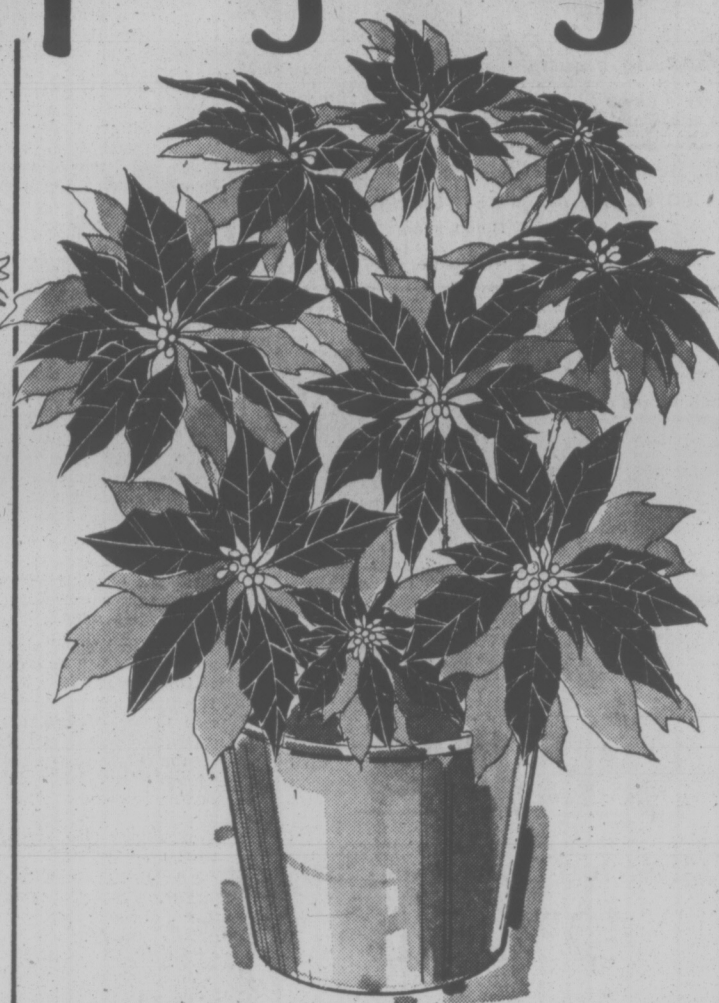
12 exposure, each .99 20 exposure, each 1.34



Potted Mums In Full Bloom In A 5" Pot!

Surprise that certain someone this Christmas with a burst of colour! Our beautiful Potted Mums are just the thing — each in its own 5" pot. And so many radiant floral colours to choose from too!

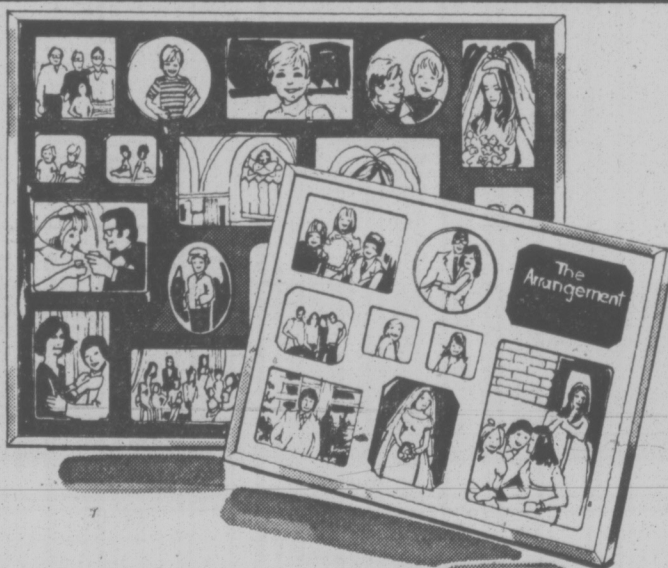
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each



Beautiful Poinsettia Plants In 4" or 6" Pots

With Christmas almost in full bloom, our Poinsettia Plants make a most timely gift! Available in either 4" or 6" pots, several blooms per pot. A gift of lasting beauty that shows you care!

4" pot **3⁹⁹**
each 6" pot **4⁹⁹**
each



Hold Memories In Photo Frame Arrangements!

Keep the family together... and store all those memorable moments in our 11 1/2"x14 1/2" or 14 1/2"x19 1/2" Gold-toned Photo Frames. Your choice of Beige or brown matte.

11 1/2"x14 1/2" **12⁹⁵**
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Good Value On Square and Oval Metal Photo Frames

Metal Photo Frames are available in the most popular sizes. Matting inserts in squares/ovals. from

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Beautifully Styled Photo Frames

2 sizes, with Gold-toned inner liner.
3 1/2"x4 1/2" **2⁹⁹**
each 5"x7" **3⁷⁹**
each

FOR HER

Ladies' Peignoir Sets

The perfect gift. 2 piece sets are imported from France, available in black with floral motif. Choose from sizes S-M-L. each

\$110

Ladies' Velour Robes

Now the luxury of velour can be hers. These glamorous robes are available in brown, green, pink, silver grey, blue, royal. Sizes S-M-L. each

\$45

Ladies' Cardigans

Long sleeved cardigans with turned up cuffs and tie belt. Features fashionable striped colours of green, wine, blue or navy. Sizes S-M-L. each

25.74

Ladies' Leather Coats

To keep her warm this winter, buy her a fashionable leather coat. Various styles with belts available, choose from rust, tan or brown. Sizes 8-14. each

\$125

Ladies' Handbags

A wide variety of styles to choose from, all made from Mexican leather. Available with hand or shoulder straps. from

18.67

Ladies' Organizer

Buy her a genuine leather checkbook organizer this Christmas. Available in 4 fashionable colours. each

\$5

Philips Beauty Set

The ideal gift for home manicuring. Set features ladies' razor, finger nail file and buffer, massager, cream and lotion applicator. set

36.99

Arnex Digital Watch

The ideal fashionable for her! 5 function watch features day, date, hours, minutes and seconds. Available with black strap. each

44.88

FOR HIM

Terrarium

Buy him an all plastic floor terrarium. Features white pedestal base, clear plastic bubble. Diameter 16", 27 1/2" high. each

18.88

Treat Him With 'Old Port' "Cigarillos"

The perfect gift for the man with a discriminating taste in tobacco. This year give him "Cigarillos". Rum flavoured, wine dipped. 50 cigars individually packed in boxes of 5. Pack

4.70

A Gift Of Mildness! "Colts" By 'Old Port'

Stuff his Christmas stocking with the mild, satisfying "little cigar" by "Old Port"! "Colts" are rum flavoured and wine dipped. 80 cigars individually packed in boxes of 8. Pack

6.25

XL2 Chain Saw

Deluxe Homelite saw features quick release trigger for easy use. Lightweight, safe. Available with durable carrying case. each

129.99

Tool Box

Medium sized heavy duty Beach model features lockable lid, lift out tote tray. Finished in baked enamel. Blue in colour. each

13.99

Tie Rack

Perfect gift for the man who has everything! Tie rack features double rotation system that holds 30 ties. each

6.50

Philips Philishave Razor

For a close, comfortable shave everytime. Rechargeable razor features 110/220 voltage switch, 9 position comfort setting. each

51.95

Ronson XL1000 Electric Shaver

A great gift ideal for the man in your life. Set includes unbreakable mirror, wall bracket and super trim trimming system. each

38.95



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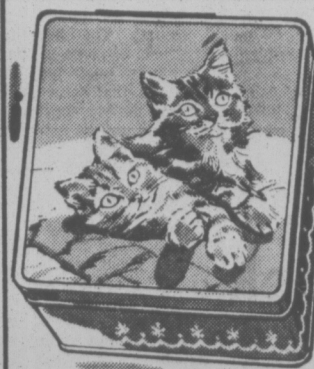
Regular Woolco Price: 3.99 each
Woolco Sale Price:

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each

Tasty Tinned Biscuits

These biscuits have been a tradition at Christmas for some time now. And with good reason — they're a delicious assortment with cream and jelly centres, all chocolate-coated. Keepsake lid designs include: Yeoman Tower, Mr. Pickwick, plus flower designs and puppies.

Price: Mon., Dec. 20. Effective 'til Fri., Dec. 24, or while quantities last.



**Three Pound Size
Tinned Biscuits**
Fancy assortment. Chocolate coated.
Cream and jelly centres.

4.98
each



**Assorted Biscuits
in Deluxe Tins**
A collector's item—3 lbs. of biscuits. Tin
design: 'The Queen's Silver Jubilee'.

5.49
each



**Imported 1 1/2 lbs.
Tinned Cakes**
From England. Vacuum-sealed.
Choose from Dundee or Rich Fruit
Cakes. Your Choice.

2.29
each



**'Cadbury' 1-lb.
Fancy Chocolates**
Box designs include: kittens, flowers,
mural, roses, grapes.

2.99
each

FOR HOME

Quilting kit

Everything you need to make a lovely quilt for your home. Set is complete with squares, batting, thread and needle. Colorful, washable.

29.25
set

Romance Blanket

Stock up the house for Christmas guests with plenty of blankets. Blanket features a soft rose pattern on colours of blue, pink, gold. 72" x 90".

11.46
each

Cushions

Your choice of a nice assortment of natural weave cushions, made to match any decor. Features tassel or large fringes.

6.46
from

Bath Sheets

Brighten up your bathroom with large, colourful bath sheets. Fluffy and absorbent in a good assortment of designs.

6.88
each

Fern Stand

Liven up your living room with a lovely fern in one of our natural wood fern stands. Round, available in maple or walnut.

43.95
each

What Not Stand

Features 5 corner shelves, a perfect gift for the souvenir collector. Choose from maple or walnut finish.

69.95
each

Hassock

Square styled hassock, available in colours of tangerine, gold or olive. Features soft top. Great gift idea for the hostess this Christmas.

13.50
each

Whirlpool Portable Dishwasher

Set features super wash and rinse hold — a terrific gift for all members of the family that do dishes. White, Harvest Gold, Avocado.

349.88
each

FOR FAMILY

Brünswick Air Hockey Game

A great family gift idea from Aurora. Features sturdy wooden frame, with glow in the dark bumpers, strikers and puck.

21.88
each

Kodak Slide Projector

Here's a perfect gift for the entire family. Features automatic focus with remote control. Forward and reverse, 140 slide circular tray. Complete with 500 watt quarter lamp.

169.87
each

Electroponic Component Set

Set features include AM/FM radio, 8 track and record changer. Complete with stand. An ideal gift for your family.

139.99
each

TV Fun Game

Four complete games in one set! Features a choice of 2 ball speeds and 2 paddle sizes. Buy one for your family this Christmas.

79.66
each

Brentwood 14" Colour

Features one button control for colour-tint — fine tuning-brightness and contrast. 100% Solid State.

349.88
each

Brentwood 20" Colour Portable

One button fine tuning and colour set. Features slide controls, complete with 2 year picture tube warranty.

\$449
each

Electric Blankets

Your family will appreciate the warmth of an electric blanket on cold nights. Washable, non-allergenic. Double size with double control.

36.95
each

Sanyo Microwave Oven

Cuts cooking time by 75%. Saves greatly on hydro costs too. Complete with 15 minute timer. Cook your Christmas dinner in less than half the time!

299.88
each



'Carr's' Tinned Biscuits
'Lilac' 1-lb. 4-oz. tin

4.99
each

'Bless This House' 2-lb. tin

5.99
each

'Rose's Tea Caddy' Biscuits
12 1/4-oz. Tin. Rich assortment of cookies.

2.99
each



**'Westminster' Tinned
Chocolates**

A full assortment of 12 delicious chocolates, all individually wrapped. 2-lb.

3.99
each



Chocolate Liqueurs

'Licor Nut' Chocolate Liqueurs. 3 1/2-oz.

1.99
Box

Delicious 8 1/2-oz. Box of chocolate liqueurs.

4.79
Box

'Licor Rochers aux Liqueurs', 14 oz.

6.99
Box



**2-lb. Fancy Box
'Cadbury' Chocolates**
Ideal Christmas gift. Every piece a delicious treat.

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Box



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The Gardener Should Recognize Limits

A few months ago we posed the question "What is a garden?" Today we ask "What is a gardener?"

A garden was defined as an arbitrary community of unrelated plants growing in an unnatural environment created by man, therefore needing the constant interference of man for its maintenance.

The person whose constant interference maintains the community of plants is called the gardener, a vague term covering a multitude of characters, attitudes, desires, approaches, and abilities.

Interference is generally considered to mean objectionable meddling with the affairs of others. As far as nature is concerned that is true of the acts performed by the gardener.

But when we consider the artificial environment we have created our meddling is concluded to be desirable and beneficial. Whether it is, or not, depends either upon our knowledge of a plant's requirements, or upon an inborn instinct for the basic requirements of living things.

All acts performed in the garden are supposedly beneficial to the plants, yet many are based upon our personal desires rather than on the actual needs of the plants.

We try to limit size, to increase size, obtain more fruits or later flowers, all of which are an endeavour to mould the plant into something we feel is desirable.

Up to a certain point we may be successful, but there are limits beyond which we



GARDENING
jack beasall

cannot go, and inborn characteristics we cannot change. The gardener who recognizes these limits and respects them will find gardening an interesting and satisfying challenge.

Our knowledge of the actual needs of plants is pitifully small. The beautiful specimens of some plants found in totally neglected gardens is proof that some of the interference we consider essential could well be detrimental.

The main attribute of a good gardener is the ability to sense when all is well, and when to leave "well enough" alone. Added to this, a little knowledge of how plants grow is a great help.

The second attribute of a good gardener is the ability to observe, which goes far beyond the ability to see. To observe is to see, to note, to watch closely, to look at attentively.

When we see a plant is looking different to normal we conclude something is wrong, but we have nothing on which to make a reasonable guess as to the cause.

When we observe a plant we notice all those small details that eliminate possible causes, leaving but one or two which lead us to a logical conclusion.

The third attribute of a good gardener is the ability to apply to the care of plants the knowledge gained in other occupations.

For example, many women are good gardeners because they apply the knowledge gained in raising a family and maintaining a good standard of health within that family. Others succeed with plants because they were raised on a farm and during their youth had the responsibility of caring for farm livestock.

All occupations related to the care of living things, animals or humans, provide a background for gardening when the knowledge is transposed to the needs of plants.

Since all living things respond to environment, the ability to sense and provide the right environment for dif-

ferent kinds of plants can produce better results than an extensive knowledge of horticultural theories.

The fourth attribute of a good gardener is patience. The patient gardener recognizes that fast growing plants cannot have the lasting qualities of slow growing plants, and that forcing slow growing plants into unnatural growth seldom pays, so the desire for quick results is discarded in favor of permanence.

The patient gardener is better able to accept the vagaries of weather, to cooperate with the weather rather than fight against something man cannot control, and considers it no problem to provide needed protection or artificial conditions for plants that give personal satisfaction.

The fifth attribute of a good gardener is the ability to be reasonable. Being reasonable is not to expect certain results from conditions incapable of producing such results.

Some gardeners expect a fruit crop equal in quantity and quality to that produced commercially without performing any commercial practices. Or a perfect lawn on a bed of rock; a mass of

color in a shaded garden; success with plants unsuited to the location or micro-climate of the garden. They expect the impossible.

The limiting factor to efforts in a home garden is usually the condition of the soil. No gardener can produce perfect plants unless the soil in which they grow is maintained in top condition. Being reasonable is understanding that fertilizers and sprays are not substitutes for a living soil. Only by improving the soil itself can we escape this limitation.

Closely coupled with being reasonable is being tolerant; tolerant of the millions of living things that have a right to exist in a garden, and without which a garden as we know it would be impossible.

These living things must have food to continue their existence, and for some that food is found on the plants we grow. Since each living thing provides food for, or improves the environment for, other living things including the plants we eat, their existence in the garden is essential. Many times in the past 50 years we have learned the good a species does only after we have ruthlessly exterminated, or severely reduced, its population, and suffered the consequences.

Admittedly, plants are necessary to our own survival but it is unreasonable for a gardener to helplessly say "I would die if anything happened to my plants."

Life is but a period of time.

VIET PARDON CRITICIZED

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A bipartisan group of 106 current and incoming house members has told President-elect Jimmy Carter that pardoning all Vietnam war draft evaders would be a "serious mistake."

"As those responsible for in-

stituting or eliminating the selective service system law, we feel it is important for you to know there is a large body of bipartisan opposition to the pardon," the 67 Republicans and 39 Democrats said in a letter to Carter, released Friday.

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8 LOCATIONS TO SERVE YOU

Work for Week

Keep cold wood ashes from fireplace under cover for use in spring garden. Also small amounts of coal ash containing pieces of cinder.

Consider indoor decorations of your own shrub branches — myrtle, box, laurel, mahonia, holly, eucalyptus as well as coniferous evergreen pieces, and berries shrubs if still in good condition.

Look for first winter flowers before Christmas: aconites, yellow jasmine, Algerian iris, hamamelis, heathers. The spring daffodil tips can al-

ready be seen poking through the soil if you look for them.

Early this coming week, lift root vegetables for holiday meals. Keep in cold place until needed. During week, cut kale, endive, sprouts at last moment and lettuce and parsley.

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AGASSIZ CONVICTS OUT FOR CHRISTMAS

VANCOUVER (GP) — Thirty-nine prisoners at Agassiz Mountain Prison will spend Christmas at home this year under the institution's temporary absence program. Agassiz acting assistant director Win Smith said today the prisoners will be released for three days "on a carefully

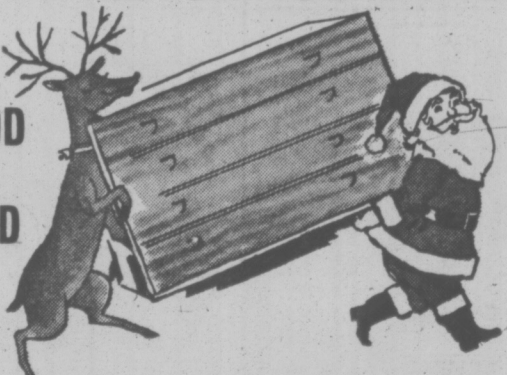
controlled basis" to visit their families.

Another 14 will be temporarily released for the holiday on day parole.

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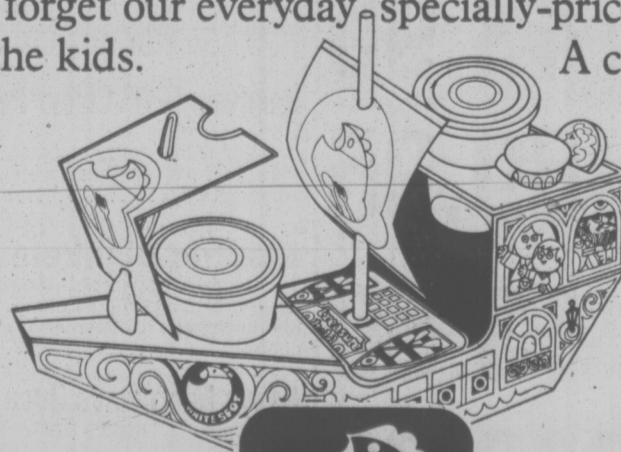
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SALMON PROJECT ACTION URGED

VANCOUVER (CP) — The public wants an end to promises for salmon programs and a start on action, according to a federal fisheries official.

Glenn Sirelair, chairman of a public inquiry into a proposed salmon enhancement program for the Pacific Coast, said 18 public hearings were held in 17 B.C. communities.

The public indicated it wanted better protection for the salmon resource and greater public awareness of the need to protect and restore that resource, he said.

A report will be prepared by late January and given to federal and provincial officials and agencies, he added.

The planning stage of the 15-year, \$300 million program should be completed by March and the proposal could go before cabinet early in April.

Aim of the program is to restore the Pacific salmon resource to pre-1900 levels, twice what it now is, through restoration and improvement of natural stream conditions.

The federal government would contribute most of the money for the program, while B.C. would give up some land and water for its implementation.

Sinclair said a consensus of the inquiry was that fisheries become a distinct department within both the federal and provincial governments and that federal, provincial and local governments co-operate in protecting and enhancing the resource.

Davis 'Dumbfounds' Coastal Residents

by LIZ HUGHES
Times Staff

Ocean Falls has been left up in the air by a "non-announcement" by Transport Minister Jack Davis, the spokesman for a community action group said Friday.

At Demers, of the Coastal Transport Action Committee, said Davis had promised residents a firm decision by Friday on a new plan to improve

ferry service to the north-coastal communities.

Davis said Friday he did have a plan — "a good plan" — but that it would not be implemented until after financial negotiations with Ottawa have been completed.

"That is in direct contradiction to the impression given us at the meeting with the minister earlier," Demers said.

He said Davis had told the

Ocean Falls delegation on Monday he was willing to implement a new plan and then start negotiations with the federal government on cost-sharing arrangements.

Demers said he phoned Davis' office for news of the announcement Friday morning and when he heard the minister's statements, "I just sort of sat there dumbfounded."

The entire community was

waiting for this promised announcement and now we've just been left up in the air," Demers said.

"We are very disillusioned."

Ferry service to communities around Ocean Falls has been chaotic since the federal government earlier this fall cancelled its subsidy to a private company which had been providing service to the coastal area.

Ocean Falls residents have come up with a plan which involves having the B.C. ferry

Queen of Prince Rupert stop at Ocean Falls on its regular run to Kelsey Bay instead of having the government-operated launch Lumba Lumba take Ocean Falls passengers to Bella Bella where they now catch the larger ferry.

"This entire town has been

left up in the air," Demers said.

Telegrams were sent Friday to federal Transport Minister Otto Lang and Liberal MPs Iona Campagnolo and Jack Pearsall, urging them to do everything they can to hasten an agreement between Ottawa and B.C.

"We're not finished yet by any means," Demers said.

"We just don't give up that easily."

PARALYSIS QUERIED

SEATTLE (UPI) — Four possible cases of the temporary paralysis, Guillain-Barre Syndrome, have been reported in Washington State, but only two of the patients had received swine flu shots.

State officials pointed out that the Guillain-Barre Syndrome does not have to be reported by doctors, so there are no statistics to determine whether the latest cases are out of the ordinary.

"We see this fairly commonly even in years when we don't use swine flu vaccine," said Dr. Nelson Cooke of Spokane, who is treating one of the cases. "I had about six cases of Guillain-Barre last year."

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FOURTH SECTION

Tax System 'For Fat Cats'

OTTAWA (CP) — New Democratic Party MP John Rodriguez denounced Canada's income tax system in the Commons Friday, charging the government is only concerned about "the fat cats it looks after."

Rodriguez, MP for the Northern Ontario constituency of Nickel Belt, demanded an explanation why "after all this tinkering with the tax system over the years, we haven't narrowed the gap between the rich and the poor."

Robert Kaplan, parliamentary secretary for finance, replied it is "wrong to focus on the gap" between high and low income earners.

"The poor in this country have been getting better off," said Kaplan, disputing the New Democrat's statistics.

Rodriguez was one of many NDP MPs who argued that the government is defying its own principle of taxing Canadian individuals and companies in proportion to their incomes.

The debate was over a government bill that would give Parliament's approval to income tax changes announced and made effective in the May 25 budget.

There are 87 clauses in the bill, MPs are still considering the first, which would raise the ceiling on the money people may invest in special retirement funds under which they may defer payment of taxes.

The increase in the ceiling on tax-deductible payments into a registered retirement savings plan is to \$4,500 from \$4,000 annually. In registered retirement pension plans the amount increased to \$2,500 from \$2,000 a year.

Rodriguez said his party opposes the plans because they are an example of tax loopholes the government provides for middle and high income earners "while the poor people of Canada have to

Pension Change Urged

OTTAWA (CP) — Pensions should be paid from current revenues rather than from savings and pension funds, Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre) said Friday.

Knowles said "pay-as-you-go" pensions are more realistic because pensioners buy goods that are produced today and are not in fact living on what has been saved.

Retired people are able to consume food, clothing and shelter not because they have saved money but because others are producing these goods, Knowles said.

He spoke at the Commons debated increases in ceilings for annual payments into registered retirement savings plans, under which people can deduct amounts put into special retirement funds from their taxable incomes.

Knowles said there should be a greater reliance on old-age pensions and the Canada Pension Plan to meet the needs of the elderly. These programs are based mostly on current revenues rather than savings, he said.

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Mail Pact Peaceful?

By DAN POTTIER
Times Ottawa Bureau

OTTAWA — Postmaster-General J. J. Blais says he hopes the postal workers' decision not to strike over the Christmas holidays will set the stage for "peaceful" relations in the post office in the new year.

Blais' show of optimism yesterday came after leaders of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW) said that while they rejected strike action over the holidays, "anything could happen after Jan. 1."

At a news conference, Blais urged a continuation of talks on the thorny dispute over postal automation even though the union says the latest round of discussions "failed miserably."

Joe Davidson, president of the 23,000-member CUPW, had said the last round of talks which ended Wednesday were a last-ditch effort to solve matters through bargaining if it failed, strike action was likely.

Engagements, Weddings and Anniversaries

Engagements

Cox—Price
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cox, 1796 Hartwood Place, Victoria, are pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of their only daughter, Susan Lorraine, to Mr. Randy Stuart Price, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Price, 3643 Revelstoke Place, Victoria.
The wedding will take place on Saturday, January 29th, 1977, at 5 p.m. in St. Dunstan's Anglican Church.



Weddings



Holden—Millar
An autumn countryside was the setting on October 9th, 1976, at 1 p.m. in St. Stephen's Anglican Church in Saanichton, where the marriage of Susan, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Millar, and Rick, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Holden, took place. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Ian Fitter.
The lovely bride, given in marriage by her father and mother, wore a flowing gown of matte jersey. It featured a Victorian neckline and long fitted sleeves with cuffs of maribou. Swiss lace and tiny pearls graced the bodice front, and her cathedral train fell in graceful folds from a shoulder yoke. The veil, designed especially for the bride, fell softly from a lace red baby and Escort roses, baby's breath and fern. Her attendants were maid of honor Miss Allison McWilliams, bridesmaid and sister of the bride Miss Debbie Millar, and flower girl Miss Meghan Rawlins. They all wore full-length dresses of soft flowing polyester silk in blue print, and carried bouquets of white mums with pink and blue carnations. The happy groom was dressed in a dark blue tuxedo with white and blue ruffled shirt, while the best man, Bill Webb, and usher Ron Fagg wore medium blue tuxedos.
The reception followed at the Brentwood Inn, where Mrs. Maureen Hughes took charge of the guest book. The toast to the bride was given by Mr. Warren McWilliams.
The newlyweds honeymooned in Southern California.

Carter—Bishop
On September 11, 1976, Reverend A. E. King officiated at the double-ring ceremony in the Metropolitan United Church, Victoria, B.C., when Linda Dianne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Bishop, exchanged vows with Lawrence Paul Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Carter.
Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore her own design and hand-made white floor-length gown of peau d'elegance, covered with sheer silk organza, on which French lace was appliqued on the empire bodice and front. Borders of lace adorned the bottom of the train-length gown and veil, which was also made of silk organza. A cascade of gardenias, stephanotis and baby's breath was the bride's bouquet, and a headpiece of gardenias held the veil. The maid of honor, Miss Irene Brett, and the bridesmaids, Mrs. Jean Cox and Miss Carol Bishop, wore identical caped gowns of soft peach satin polyester. Their bouquets of peach roses, carnations, stephanotis and baby's breath complemented their carnation hairpieces. The groom wore a white suit with a peach rose boutonniere and the best man, Mr. Stephen Carter, and ushers, Mr. Michael Bishop and Mr. David Knowland wore chocolate brown suits with peach carnation boutonnières.
At the reception, held at the Victoria Golf Club the toast to the bride was given by the bride's uncle, Mr. Hugh Burnett of Vancouver. The master of ceremonies was Mr. Terence Prentice, uncle of the bride. Following the reception the couple flew to Vancouver to begin a three-week honeymoon in ALTACITE, Spain.

Snodden—Symes
Reverend Philip Ross officiated at a double-ring ceremony in the Old England Inn on December 11th, 1976, at 2 p.m. when Debra Doris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Symes, exchanged wedding vows with Raddy Allan Snodden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Snodden.
Given in marriage by her parents, the bride chose a floor-length gown of white nylon trimmed with lace, with matching veil held in place with pearl and flowered tiara. She carried a bouquet of red roses. The ring-bearers were the bride's sister, and bridesmaid, Miss Wendy Abraham, wore identical blue gowns and carried colonial bouquets of yellow daisy mums and streamers. The junior bridesmaid, Miss Susan Bowcott, wore a blue nylon flowered gown and carried a basket of yellow daisy mums. The ring-bearers were Masters Jeffrey and David Snodden, brothers of the groom. Mr. Raymond Bowcott attended as best man and ushers were Patrick Waller and Gordon Bowcott.
The toasts to the bride and bridesmaids were proposed by Mr. Frederick Holman. Following a reception, Mr. and Mrs. Snodden left on a wedding trip to Nevada.

Barter—Phair
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Phair are pleased to announce the wedding of their daughter, Dianne Margaret, to Barry Allan Barter, on November 6th, 1976, in the Metropolitan United Church. Rev. Dr. King officiated. The bride had chosen an exquisite gown of silk crepe, over tulle, Swiss Guipure lace, appliqued roses, touched the high neckline and extended to the full skirt in cluster and garland design. A deep flounce finished the hemline and train. Her crown of lace and pearls held a two-tiered waist-length veil. Maid of honor Robin Ursula chose a gown in pastel pink, and bridesmaids Donna Grant and Kelly-Lee Barter, pastel blue. The groom wore a white tuxedo, and best man Kel Phair, and ushers Daron Grahame and Darryl Barter, in black. The picture was completed by the ringbearer, Scott Phair, three-year-old nephew of the bride, who wore a black tuxedo. Special thanks to Dr. King, friends and relations who joined in on the special occasion.

Prizeman 50th
Robert and Helen Prizeman, 2890 Glen Lake Road, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, December 15th, 1976. They were married in Victoria, 1951.
A family dinner was held at Hy's on the 15th, and a surprise party was held in their honor on December 18 by Keith and Joanne Rathgeber and Doug and Sharon Prizeman.
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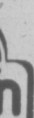
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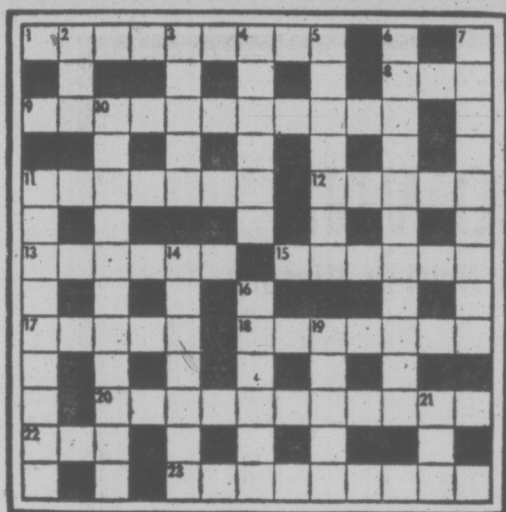
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- Across**
- 1 Tossing the
 - 7 Caber
 - 8 Deliver
 - 10 Open goal
 - 11 Trip
 - 12 Namely
 - 13 Needle
 - 17 Acne
- Down**
- 18 On course
 - 21 Theorem
 - 22 Right
 - 23 Israelites
 - 1 Table
 - 2 Struggle
 - 3 Indian
 - 4 Gull
 - 5 Hovered
 - 6 Accountant
 - 9 Represents
 - 12 Democrat
 - 14 Manners
 - 16 Animal
 - 19 Rages
 - 21 Aria

CLUES

- Across**
- 1 Slaughter's assemblage with mixed races (9)
 - 8 Five, that is, compete (3)
 - 9 Getting read for journey? This container may help (7-4)
 - 11 Quarrel put side out (7)
 - 12 Send 'hall in the air by ante-room (5)
 - 13 18's boss loses one textbook (6)
 - 15 It is grossly squared (6)
 - 17 Hero guesses it includes a scoundrel (5)
 - 18 Furniture ministers (7)
 - 20 The system of ensuring commands include poetry? (11)
 - 22 There may be something fishy about this profit? (13)
 - 23 Stress aid needed in adversities (9)
- Down**
- 2 Can she be in America? (3)
 - 3 Goodbye, due to first-class change (5)
 - 4 Teased about being dressed in poor clothes? (6)
 - 5 Display about everything but it's not very deep (7)
 - 6 Topple because of surplus perhaps (11)
 - 7 Be sorry about changed month for discharge of loan (9)
 - 10 The chairman's d e c i d e r about the actors chosen? (7-4)
 - 11 Tip-dancer on the way out (9)
 - 14 Corrected fellows caught in bad deed (7)
 - 16 Makes twenty-a-go in the game? (6)
 - 19 Happy state of ignorance? (5)
 - 21 What to call somebody in hopeless irritation? (3)



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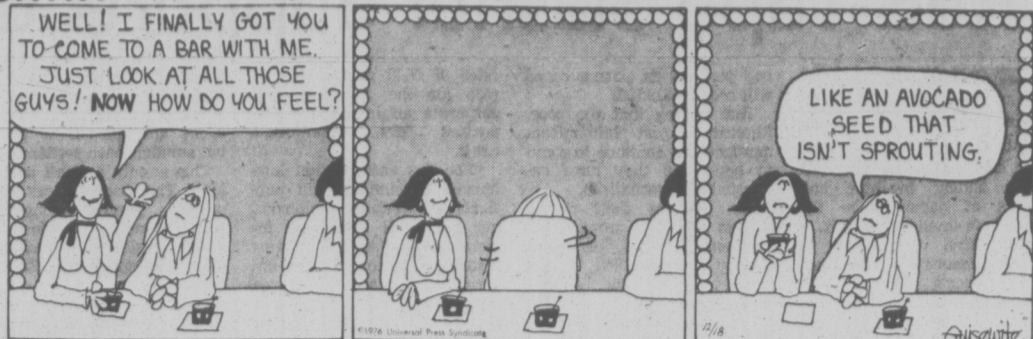
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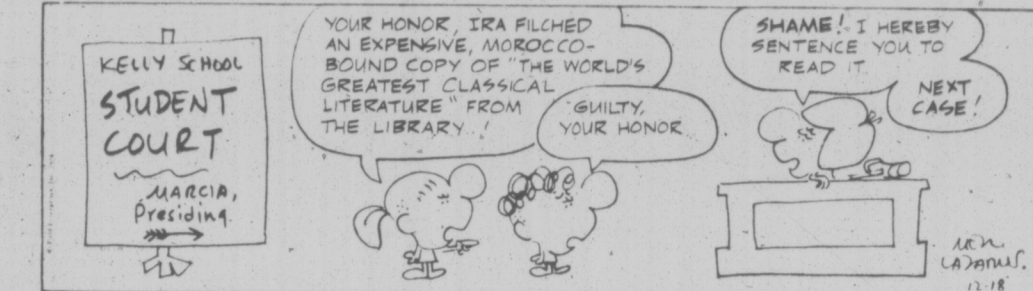
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Astrological Forecast for Sunday, December 19
By SYDNEY OMARR

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Emphasis on travel, new starts, ability to communicate with loved one. You make marvelous contacts; you're inspired by creative, spiritual individual. Leo, Aquarius persons figure prominently. Long-distance call could highlight day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You get beneath superficial layers — you find out who pulls strings, how you are affected, finances in relation to partner, mate. Your direction is not clear, but you are closing in, drawing a head, getting priorities in order. Cancer, Sagittarius, Capricorn individuals figure prominently.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Emphasis on slowing pace, getting second emotional-spiritual wind. Defer to wishes of partner, mate. Be aware of rights, permissions, public responses. Don't rush to judgment — be sensitive to moods, subtle nuances. Co-operative effort succeeds — if you have an abundance of patience.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be direct, practical, thorough. Don't fool yourself by thinking "someone else" will attend to details. Emphasis is on basic material, homework, concluding a structure. Stick close to home base.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Good lunar aspect coincides now with personal magnetism, speculation, intensified relationship, special activity associated with children. Gemini, Virgo figure prominently. You have marvelous opportunity to express, to imprint style, to be enlightened in areas previously marked by befuddlement.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Home, personal environment tend to dominate. Taurus, Libra persons are in picture. Past obligations surface. You're repaid for favors — you're asked to settle financial and other commitments. You get on solid ground; diplomacy wins for you. Know it and avoid strident statements.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Status quo does not suffice — message, call results in short trip, visit. See places, people as they are, not merely as you might wish them to be. Refine techniques... be positive of directions, reservations, instructions. Pisces is in picture.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Accent on possessions, protection of valuables, income potential. Organize — handle additional responsibility. Relationship intensifies. Money picture is brighter as you are rewarded for efforts. One who constantly gave you "lip service" may now come up with something material.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Lunar cycle moves up — circumstances turn in your favor. Timing, intuition are on target. Stress your personal appearance, personality, take initiative. Highlight inventiveness, originality, independence. Aries, Libra persons figure in scenario.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Area that had been clouded with doubt, suspicion receives benefit of greater light. Leo figures prominently. Visit to institution, retirement home, hospital is indicated. Charitable project is part of scenario. Co-operate. If you give, you will also receive and be a major beneficiary.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Emphasis on pleasure, fulfillment, romance. You could be fulfilled by one who proves affection, regard is real. You also get good news regarding investment, business prospects. Standing in community is on upswing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Study Aquarius message. Emphasis on achievement, ambition, token of appreciation from boss, professional associate or superior. Be versatile. Give full play to humor, curiosity. Be optimistic. Gemini, Sagittarius figure in scenario.

IF DECEMBER 19, IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you are creative, original, independent, temperamental, fiery, inspirational — and members of opposite sex spoil you with flattery. You have completed major project this year — you begin fresh cycle in 1977 and July will be your most significant month. Leo, Aries, Aquarius persons play important roles in your life. You will tackle a pioneering project in '77.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Relative is uncertain about aims, directions, desires. Be aware, sympathetic, receptive without becoming inextricably involved. Neighbor confides confusion. Get your own house in order. Old debt can be satisfactorily settled.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Get rid of burden not really your own. Trim unnecessary expenses. If you compare, ask, send out "feelers," you can obtain genuine bargain. Aries person could lend, open doors, show the way. Libra is also in picture.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Aura of excitement prevails. You could be centre of attention, perhaps controversy. Lunar cycle is high and you win major point. Member of opposite sex is direct, gets to heart of matters. You rediscover loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Key now is discretion. Someone plays a quiz game, asking you questions concerning a secret or gift. Don't reveal all you know. Closed door conference, meeting could be on agenda. Cancer individual is on your side and you'll realize it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Accent on desire, friendship, review of aspirations and necessary revisions. Forces tend to be scattered. Leave fine points, details for another time. Get overall view. Perceive potential. Refuse to paint yourself in corner.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You gain major point — prestige is enhanced. You're able to replace and rebuild — you are given access to privileged information. Emphasis on goal, improving relationship with one in position of authority. Money question is favorably resolved.

IF DECEMBER 20TH IS YOUR BIRTHDAY you are sensitive, loyal, capable of functioning under pressure. Cancer, Capricorn persons play important roles in your life. July will be one of your most significant months next year. There is going to be a happier glow to your life. You will have chance to find or rediscover love as recent emotional wound is healed.

Red Tape Slasher Supports the Poor

EDMONTON (CP) — Ellen Thompson's office is a microscope retinal in a rambling building on Jasper Avenue that has seen better years. A desk, adding machine and stacks of paper make the place look smaller than it is.

But Mrs. Thompson is happy because the Consumer Help Office's contract with the federal consumer and corporate affairs department has been renewed. For the third consecutive year, the office

had justified its existence and will receive \$19,000.

That means that the poor, illiterate or just plain misunderstood can continue to come to her when they have exhausted all alternatives.

She explains their rights, directs them to proper government agencies, or, when they're being bullied by bureaucrats, she slashes through red tape.

In announcing renewal of the contract Nick Van Duyvendyk, assistant deputy min-

ister of field operations service for the consumer and corporate affairs department, praised Mrs. Thompson's work.

"She has ensured that low-income consumers, and particularly welfare recipients, get their full return on income-tax and rental rebates instead of falling prey to unscrupulous agents who charge excessive rates for discounting their rebate cheques," he said.

He was referring to the

practice whereby a person signs over the amount due on a tax or rental rebate to an agent and accepts a quick, but smaller, cash settlement.

This is only a small part of Mrs. Thompson's work. She provides general counselling and budgeting services to local residents, including many who speak little English or French.

Mrs. Thompson knows some of their problems from experience. She was on welfare for 10 years after her husband deserted her and her six children.

In 1970, Mrs. Thompson and seven other women founded the Humans on Welfare Society (H.O.W.) a concept that grew into a self-reliant opera-

tion where people still come into a warm informal atmosphere for counselling, clothes, food or a kindly chat.

H.O.W. is staffed by volunteers and its operating expenses are met by grants from the city and province.

Mrs. Thompson still is an officer with H.O.W. and works in conjunction with the group but her main job is consumer help.

"Most welfare recipients do not see themselves as consumers," she said. "They associate the word consumer with affluence."

The offices of H.O.W. and Consumer Help are shared in the heart of the city's highest concentration of low-income people.

MEMORIAL IN BRAILLE

LONDON (CP) — For the first time in its 900-year history, Westminster Abbey has a memorial stone carved in braille for the convenience of blind persons.

The memorial is to Lord Fraser of Lonsdale, who was blinded in the Battle of the Somme in 1916 but served in the House of Commons and House of Lords for 35 years. He visited Canada several times and inspired the blind of many nations with his courageous leadership.

The braille inscription is made up of 580 phosphor bronze rivets produced in the workshop of St. Dunstan's Institute for the Blind. Each braille dot was drilled and fitted by Norman French, St.

Dunstan's research engineer, and fixed to a bronze plate bearing St. Dunstan's official crest.

Over the inscription is a bronze profile of Lord Fraser by sculptor David McFall. It is mounted on a plaque of blue Coniston slate and was unveiled recently by Fraser's grandson, Neil McDonald.

The cost of the memorial has been borne by war-blinded men and women all over

the world and by members of Lord Fraser's family.

Lord Fraser was chairman of St. Dunstan's for 53 years. He was elected member of Parliament for the Lonsdale division of northwest England in 1940 and was elevated to the House of Lords in 1975. He defied blindness by riding horseback, playing cards and chess and directing his family's wholesale clothing business.

The Diamonds Are Gone, ... And So Is the Glory

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (AP) — Long before Texas oil millionaires browsed through catalogues offering his- and hers Chinese junks for Christmas, a black Cleopatra in a boom town in Brazil was presented with her own galleon and a new lake to sail it on.

Such tales of fabulous wealth and forgotten orgies still abound in Diamantina, Brazil, an 18th-century diamond mining centre.

Diamantina, birthplace of Brazil's late president Juscelino Kubitschek, is out in the middle of nowhere in the central Brazilian state of Minas Gerais. The town lies in a small valley in a sterile, rocky region of sparse vegetation and bright sunlight.

In the Diamantina area, poor, black, heavily muscled men called garimpeiros—free-lance miners—still sift through gravel from shallow streams, looking for diamonds with the simple technology of 200 years ago. The swollen bellies of their children testify to the fact that they're not doing too well.

Local people can point out a few examples of men who became wealthy working the diamond fields. You can still run into leathery-skinned, muddy-booted men in sweat-stained khakis that you'd never suspect owned their own diamond mines.

But the region's glory lies mainly in its past.

The most dramatic local legend is the story of Xica (pronounced Sheekah de Silva), a Negro slave who became one of the richest, most pampered women in Brazil during the diamond heyday of the 1700s.

Xica was the mistress of Joao Fernandes de Oliveira, an official sent from the Court of Portugal with a concession granting him exclusive monopoly in mining the gems. The concession was signed Jan. 1, 1747, and Fernandes remained in power until 1759, when he was called back to Portugal in disgrace. The enormous fortune he amassed in the diamond fields and the spectacular way he spent it on Xica aroused wrath in Lisbon and caused his downfall.

Xica, whom Fernandes freed, enjoyed living it up. He built her a lake and gave her a boat to sail on it when she grew unhappy in the dry and rocky inland town where she could not see the ocean, according to the legend.

Xica recently became the subject of a Brazilian movie, a colorful and spicy version of her profligate life. Neither history nor the movie tells what happened to the heroine when her power was taken back to jail in Portugal.

But memories of her parties, her European dresses and her jewels, stirred up a bit by the Brazilian film industry, remain vivid.

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Mate
Overboard
—No Trace

A search in Juan de Fuca Strait off Victoria this morning failed to find any trace of the second mate of a Japanese freighter who fell overboard during the night.

The mishap was reported to the Victoria Search and Rescue office at 4:45 a.m. when the freighter Bunko Maru was 6½ miles southwest of Race Rocks, in American waters.

No explanation of how the unidentified man fell overboard was given.

A rescue centre spokesman said Kisbey rings, life preservers equipped with lights, were thrown overboard after the man fell and are being used as reference points in the search, which is extending from Trial Island to Sooke and the width of the strait.

Blast Rips Tanker From L.A. Harbor



Blasted-off bow of the tanker Sansinena protrudes from waters of Los Angeles harbor after Friday night explosion. Below, the same ship, intact

LOS ANGELES — A huge oil tanker was blasted into three separate parts Friday night by a violent explosion of undetermined origin that occurred while the ship was in harbor here.

At least 11 persons were killed, another five crewmen are missing and at least 50 others were injured in the blast which occurred shortly after 512,000 barrels of crude oil had been unloaded.

The bow of the 810-foot, Liberian-registered Sansinena was hurled shorewards by the explosion and the other two-thirds of the vessel sank.

Divers and searchers were cautiously inspecting the twisted molten remains of the tanker today and attempting to determine what caused the explosion. Authorities said it may be days before they know for certain how many died.

The shock wave hurled huge pieces of the vessel through the air like shrapnel and shattered hundreds of windows over three square miles of the harbor area, which had to be guarded from looters. It set off burglar alarms, knocked out phone service, flattened traffic signs and threw open a locked, chained door on a house more than two miles from the scene.

A column of smoke and fire climbed nearly 1,000 feet in the air, engulfing the ship and the Union Oil dock.

More than 200 firemen battled the fire before it was declared under control early today, but portions of the stern were still burning.

Chunks of steel 25 yards long slammed into the asphalt surrounding the ship's berth. Steel hatches three-quarters of an inch thick were twisted like bottlecaps and tossed hundreds of yards from the ship.

Authorities said it was likely that several crew members had been trapped inside the mammoth tanker.

So fierce was the blast that the shock was felt as far away as downtown Los Angeles, 25 miles to the north.

"That tanker was unloading, and I was at the store about a half-mile from here," said Juan Rodriguez, assistant manager of the terminal. "All of a sudden, that thing just blew like there was no tomorrow. It was like a shock wave. All the windows just gave out in the store."

Los Angeles police called a full-scale tactical alert — the first since the 1965 Watts riots — to guard against looting. More than 200 police were on the scene and personnel from all of the police department's 17 divisions were ordered to stand by for emergency measures.

Peggy Tredko said she was waiting on a dock in the harbor area when "suddenly there was a flash and a boom. I was sitting down and it almost knocked me into the water."

San Pedro residents said the flash "lit up the sky like lightning."

A resident of Eagle Rock, more than 40 miles to the north, reported an "earthquake" before learning of the explosion.

The ship was "about two thirds sunk, with fire coming from the bow and stern," a fire department spokesman said. He said firemen feared that if it sank further flaming liquid would spread to the harbor waters, igniting oil storage tanks.

"It scared the hell out of me," said Frank Rodriguez, 27, who lives about a mile from where the ship exploded.

Local Pubs On Shelf

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Baby's Cry Is One Of Tragedy

The newborn baby cries. It cries as if it can see what lies ahead.

In Bangladesh, one of the poorest countries in the world, a baby is born every 7½ minutes.

The 1974 census showed a population of 73 million. The population is expected to double in less than 25 years at a rate of between 2 and 3.1 per cent a year.

The babies that survive face a bleak future in a land ravaged by war and natural disasters, such as the 1970 cyclone that killed 500,000 people.

They inherit a legacy of poverty in a country with a per capita Gross National Product of less than \$100.

They grow up in a country where less than 30 per cent of the people are literate.

There's a chance they'll grow up only to share the fate of the 7½ million unemployed in the country.

But the future is not completely without hope. Friendship Dollars, donated to the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada, represent the difference between living and living death to thousands.

As in past years, the Victoria Times is supporting a Friendship Dollars campaign, hoping the spirit of giving will grow sufficiently to include others less fortunate than ourselves.

The target for Victoria this year is \$30,000.

Contributions can be mailed in care of the Victoria Times, P.O. Box 300, Victoria, or brought to the business office counter at 2821 Douglas.

Donations will also be accepted at any Bank of Nova Scotia branch.

Cheques should be made payable to the Unitarian Service Committee of Canada.

8 MDs BILL FOR \$150,000

VANCOUVER (CP) — Eight British Columbia general practitioners billed the Medical Services Commission more than \$150,000 each in the fiscal year to March, 1976.

The British Columbia Medical Association said Friday 3.5 per cent of B.C.'s general practitioners, 57 doctors, had a gross income of more than \$100,000 from the medical plan.

The 315 general practitioners who received gross payments of between \$50,000 and \$68,000 from the MSC would have an average net income of approximately \$42,000.

Jack Paul, BCMA director of economics, said one general practitioner in the Interior "eats and sleeps" medicine, and therefore has a very high billing of \$159,235.

NEWS BRIEFS

Dockers Settle

VANCOUVER (CP) — Members of the Vancouver and New Westminster locals of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's union have voted 76.9 per cent to accept a new one-year contract, a union spokesman said Friday.

Egg Price Cut

OTTAWA (CP) — The price paid to producers for Grade A large eggs will decrease by one cent a dozen Monday because of lower feed costs, the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency said Friday in a news release.

Brinks Settles

VANCOUVER (CP) — Sixteen employees of Brinks Canada Ltd. voted Friday to accept a contract proposal and end a month-long strike, but 56 drivers and guards employed by Loomis Armored Car Service Ltd. rejected the proposal.

Flight Out Fails

BELLA BELLA (CP) — The pilot who landed his single-engine Cessna 150 on a soccer field here Tuesday failed in his attempt to fly out of the village Friday when the plane struck a fire hydrant and damaged a wheel. The pilot plans to ship the plane out by barge.

Hostage Murdered

MADRID (Reuter) — An anonymous caller, telephoned a newspaper early today to say that Antonio Maria de Oriol, president of the Advisory Council of State, has been killed by his kidnappers.

Canada Considers Oil Boost In Wake of Jump by OPEC

Times News Services

AIB RULES NIP TRUDEAU RAISE

OTTAWA (CP) — Prime Minister Trudeau, his cabinet and other officers of Parliament will have a scheduled Jan. 1 pay raise rolled back to wage-control limits.

A spokesman for Finance Minister Donald Macdonald said Friday that an automatic annual raise to all MPs and senators would be restricted to \$2,400, a ceiling set by the government's wage and price control board.

The move followed disclosures that senior parliamentarians would get pay raises above the level when the increases came into effect next year.

Under a two-year-old law, MPs and senators get a yearly pay boost equal to the average wage raise in the country.

Passage of that law followed a 1974 decision by MPs to raise their pay 33.3 per cent.

The increase Jan. 1 comes to seven per cent, a raise that would push the salary and expenses of Trudeau, his 32-member cabinet, 26 parliamentary secretaries, opposition leaders and party whips past the \$2,400 limit.

After opposition MPs tried unsuccessfully in the Commons to get government agreement to curb the increase, Trudeau released a statement saying his government is "fully committed to the strict observance of the anti-inflation wage regulations."

Domestic oil is already scheduled to go to \$9.75 from \$9.05 a barrel Jan. 1, still well below the world price of \$13.50 a barrel.

A spokesman for the National Energy Board said no date has been set for an export-oil increase, "but the increase would be comparable to the rise in the price of oil on the world market."

"We are currently only reviewing the possibility of an increase, and we would make our recommendations to the energy minister who would in turn release the date, and the amount of the increase," the spokesman said.

Energy Minister Alastair Gillespie said he is disappointed with the new increase in world oil prices, but added it will have no immediate impact on domestic oil costs.

Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates broke with the other 11 OPEC members and said they will raise prices by only five per cent. The others say they will increase prices by 10 per cent Jan. 1 and a further five per cent July 1.

Currently, Canada gets 16 per cent of the 700,000 barrels of oil it imports daily from Saudi Arabia and the Emirates. The remaining 84 per cent comes from the other 11 OPEC members, mainly Venezuela.

Canadians are cushioned from increases in world oil prices by a federal-provincial agreement holding the domestic price at lower levels.

MASSIVE SPILL

BOSTON (AP) — A tanker, in danger of splitting "like a cracked walnut," has already spilled more than 100,000 gallons of oil into prime fishing areas while grounded off Nantucket Island, the U.S. Coast Guard said today.

Authorities were worried that high winds forecast for the afternoon would prove too much for the battered and half-submerged Arzo Merchant, loaded with 7.6 million gallons of heavy industrial oil.

A six-man coast guard force planned to go aboard the 640-foot tanker today and survey the damage. Water had been found Friday in 23 of the ship's 20 oil tanks, indicating serious fractures in the hull.

The ship held together through the night despite high winds and five-foot waves.

"It's intact, but I don't think it will hold much longer," said coast guard spokesman Richard Griggs. "She's survived three days of bad weather but she won't be able to take too much more."

Jailed Chilean Traded for Russian

ZURICH (AP) — Two of the world's most prominent political prisoners were exchanged in Switzerland today.

Soviet dissident Vladimir Bukovsky arrived for exile in the West five minutes before Chilean Communist party leader Luis Corvalan flew into Zurich airport aboard a West German Lufthansa flight from Santiago. Airport police said Corvalan and his wife boarded a Soviet Aeroflot plane that brought Bukovsky here and took off for Moscow.

Bukovsky was smiling but pale after his release from four years in Soviet prison camps. "I am very happy, but I am tired," the 35-year-old human rights activist told reporters.

Corvalan was freed by Chile's right-wing regime in a prisoner exchange the United States helped to arrange.

The actual exchange took place on a runway about two-thirds of a mile from the terminal. Scores of Swiss police surrounded the two air-

liners, which were parked about 500 yards apart. Bukovsky, his wife and his sister and Corvalan and his wife got into separate black limousines after their arrival.

Chilean officials said the exchange took place in the presence of the Chilean, Soviet and U.S. ambassadors.

Reporters were kept in the terminal. They swarmed around the fur-hatted Bukovsky when he and his family suddenly turned up there.

Bukovsky smiled and repeated in broken English, "I am very happy, I am tired," then lapsed into Russian. He said he plans to stay in Switzerland a few days before flying on to London. "I am not feeling well," he explained.

Bukovsky was reunited with his mother, sister and nephew in Moscow on Friday night.

They were flown to Zurich from a military airport near Moscow. His bedridden nephew, Mikhail Ivanov, was

operated on Thursday for a blood disease and is to enter a Swiss hospital.

Actor David Markham said he has invited the Bukovskys to his farmhouse in Sussex, England. Markham said Bukovsky told him it was only after arriving at Zurich that he learned he was being exchanged for Corvalan.

A report on Corvalan's release by the Soviet news agency Tass in Moscow did not mention Bukovsky.

New Howls Over Rollbacks

A decision by the Anti-Inflation Board to roll back 1975 pay awards of some police and fire departments has provoked a new round of protests.

The rollbacks, announced Friday, are:

Victoria police about five per cent, Oak Bay police about seven per cent, Esquimalt police about seven per cent.

Victoria firemen about four-

per cent, Oak Bay firemen about eight per cent.

A meeting has been set with AIB officials in Victoria Jan. 10 but Victoria firemen say they probably will be on strike by then, which will be a further complication.

Union president Ross Cameron said the firefighters will strike Jan. 1 unless the city starts paying a 7.5 per cent interim wage agreement ordered by an arbitrator in a binding decision.

Cameron said the arbitrator

had granted Victoria firefighters parity with Vancouver but Victoria has refused to pay the additional funds, awaiting a final verdict from the AIB.

He said the Victoria firefighters are legally entitled to parity with Vancouver but, due to a combination of AIB orders and Victoria council decisions, the local firemen would be lucky to have parity with any of the other 35 fire units in the province next year.

For example, the rollback will give Victoria firemen less than those in Saanich. In addition, the Victoria firemen are in the second year under the AIB and will be entitled to only six per cent more next year, under AIB rules.

Meanwhile, Saanich firemen, who are receiving more because of the Victoria rollback, will be entitled to a further eight per cent increase (at least) in 1977 as they are only in their first year under the AIB. Saanich was in the

middle of a two-year contract when the AIB was formed in 1975 while Victoria was negotiating a new contract.

Cameron said that, in terms of wages, Victoria firemen ranked 11th (out of 36) in B.C. in 1974, slipped to 24th in 1975 and may fall to last place as a result of the AIB rollback.

"All this despite the fact a legal and binding award (under provincial legislation) has given us parity with Vancouver."

Phase-Out Proposed For Rental Controls

By AL FORREST

British Columbia landlords have asked the provincial government to begin phasing out rent controls in selected cities starting in 1977, Greater Victoria Apartment Owners Association president Les Litwin said Friday.

He said he is optimistic Premier Bennett's announcement this week that the 10.6

per cent limit on rent increases will carry over into next year will be a temporary measure only.

"We have made a presentation to the government asking that rent controls be phased out and we understand the government is actively studying our proposals."

Litwin said the landlords want rent controls to end but are proposing that the con-

trols be phased out, starting next year.

He said controls should be removed for apartments above a certain rent level in cities where the vacancy rate has risen to three per cent or more.

"These selected cities would include Victoria which is certain to have a vacancy rate of at least three per cent next year," Litwin said.

The rent level where controls would continue to apply would vary, depending upon the nature and size of the apartment unit.

In general terms, the idea would be to lower this limit each year so that poorer people living in cheaper apartment units would be protected for the longest period of time.

However, the aim would be to end rent controls completely — but gradually — over a number of years.

"We must get back to a situation where rents are controlled by the market place and not by government," he said.

Government controls become meaningless in a situation where vacancy rates are high. In many cities, including Victoria, it will be impossible for most landlords to raise their rents 10.6 per cent next year because of the apartment surplus. It makes sense to begin discarding this rent control program, he said.

The apartment owners want

the controls rolled back in careful stages:

— Step one would be to end the province-wide controls and replace them with specific regulations for each urban area.

— Step two would be to locate cities where the vacancy rate was at least three per cent and begin to remove the controls in those cities. For example, the government might remove the controls on two-bedroom apartments renting above \$200 per month in that city. The \$200 figure is used as an example only as the specific numbers in the brief have not been released.

— Step three would be to expand this program to other B.C. cities as soon as the vacancy rate hit three per cent, which is considered to be the minimum for the most efficient working of the marketplace system.

— Step four, some months later, would be to reduce the rent level further. For example by making all two-bedroom apartments renting at \$180 or more (down from \$200) totally free of rent controls in the selected cities.

— And finally, totally removing rent controls.

This program might take several years, Litwin said, but once achieved, the government should not return to a control program, no matter how tight the apartment supply became.

Safety Bonus Forms Sent

Single males under 25 in four rate classes have been mailed application forms for a safe-driving incentive grant, an Insurance Corporation of British Columbia official said Friday.

Norman Bortnick, corporation general manager, said drivers who feel they qualify must apply to receive their grant. Application forms will also be available at motor-vehicle branch offices.

Bortnick said the grant should not be confused with the 17.5-per-cent safe driving discount, which will be printed on the insurance renewal forms of those who qualify.

He said the grant could amount to a 25 per cent rebate for young male drivers who meet the requirements.

Christmas Spirit Among Meter Men? If There, It's Ruddy Hard to Detect

Talk about practising what you preach?

Around the corner from Fort into Quadra Street I strolled and there was this nasty little three-wheeled thing with a light on top and the words "City of Victoria Parking Enforcement" written on the side. And there it was, saucily parked in front of a meter that had expired!

I decided then and there I'd wait and ask the driver a few pointed questions hoping they might make him squirm and thereby make up for all those times when I'd been made to go purple.

Times like the other day when, because there was nothing else to be found, I was foolish enough to park in one of those ridiculous 15-minute meter spots on Fort Street not far from Eaton's and Marks and Spencer's.

Now that was just long enough for me to get into Eaton's, try on a pair of trousers, peer at myself in a mirror and realize suddenly, My God, son, you've expired!

So I whipped those off, jumped back into my own and raced from the store still doing up the zip — only to find one of those ogres in black doggedly making out a ticket.

There was the time, too, that I'd cut it fine again and was hurrying along the sidewalk back to my car when I was stopped by a "Don't Walk" traffic light. Now I know my luck. If I had walked when it said "Don't Walk" then I would have copped it. That's the way things happen to me. But, while I was walking, one of those three-wheeled nasties zoomed up and the little man popped out and pinned on a ticket.

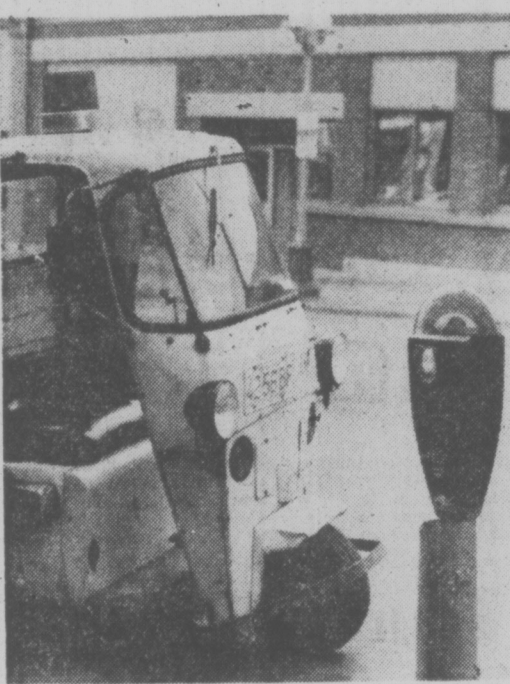
And there was the time I stopped to make an urgent phone call and the only change I had on me was a dime. Alas, the meter had to starve.

But I'd only spoken a few words and one of them showed up again!

I tried to tell the guy on the other end of the line that it was no longer such an urgent phone call, but he went on talking, anyway. And I signalled desperately through the phone box window that I was coming now. And please don't do it to me again.

It was all to no avail. He seemed oblivious to me, to the world, in fact. And just went on writing. It's a wonder they don't get writer's cramp.

Nothing stops them. You can arrive back at your



Caught in the act . . . red flag up

—Max Low photos

Ask The Times

Q. Where could I obtain some smoked deer meat? I'm a student of Grade 10 studying an Indian tribe could have the experience of eating one of the Indian's main foods? L.H.

A. Smoked deer meat was never a main food source on Vancouver Island. Smoking salmon is a practice shared by all the West Coast tribes, but there was little, if any venison smoking.

Send your questions to Ask the Times, 2621 Douglas Street.

HELP SOUGHT IN HUNT FOR CANINE SURVIVOR

Could it be that the lone victim in Thursday's sea ditching of a passenger plane west of Victoria actually swam ashore — and is wandering lost somewhere around Rocky Point?

Dave Berridge of 159 Bushby St. in Victoria hopes so and hopes people will help in the search to find out.

When the AirWest Twin Otter float plane, trying to

flew into the sea offshore and later sank, 14 passengers, two pilots and a dog escaped and were picked up with only minor injuries.

Only passenger still unaccounted for is another dog, a Springer spaniel cross named Rag. Last seen swimming strongly away from the sinking plane.

Berridge explained that Rag's owners in Vancouver had shipped their dog to him

to care for while they are away on holidays.

He's been told since that if Rag swam north from the plane and avoided the rip tides around Race Rocks, she was certainly close enough to shore to make it.

Rag is seven years old, not the full size of a Springer, black with white trim and wearing a choke chain collar with Vancouver licence tag. Berridge's phone number is 383-7418.

"If they're taking it easier on motorists then it hasn't filtered down to me yet," he added. "And the thing is, you need the parking more at Christmas time. The sooner you get 'em moving the better to give someone else a whack at it."

And so, though I knew it wouldn't accomplish much, I waited by the three-wheeled nasty and its expired meter for the man who might, too, become one of the purple people. I waited and waited for him to come back and give himself a ticket. But, of course, he never did.

Boy! When these guys over-park, they really go whole hog.



Honor Given Bird Artist

Fenwick Lansdowne, the Oak Bay artist with an international reputation for painting bird life, has been named an officer of the Order of Canada, Government House in Ottawa announced Friday.

He is the only local person among 64 new appointments to the order, five of them B.C. residents.

"It's a great honor and very kind of them," he said today.

He learned of the tribute by letter about a month ago. Lansdowne, 38, lives at 681 Transit, Crippled by polio as a baby, he has walked with the help of crutches since he was a child.

Born in Hong Kong, he settled on Vancouver Island in 1948. The Provincial Museum sponsored the first major showing of his work at age 15 and about four years later the Royal Ontario Museum in Toronto showed them.

He has four books published — Birds of the West, Birds of the Northern Forest and two volumes of Birds of the Eastern Forest.

There are three tiers or levels to the Order of Canada, with Lansdowne and 18 others named officers, the second level.

David Lewis, former leader of the New Democratic Party,

and Roger Rousseau, president of the executive committee for the Montreal Olympics, are the only two named companions of the order, the highest honor.

Also named officers were Dr. David Suzuki, zoology professor at the University of B.C. and Dr. J. G. Prentice of Vancouver, chairman of the board of Canadian Forest Products Ltd.

Among 43 people named members of the order are Vancouver pianist Frances M. Adaskin and Dr. Masajiro Miyazaki of Lillooet, a retired osteopath.

Air Canada Tightens Up on No-Shows at Christmas

Last-minute shoppers for plane reservations out of Victoria can probably still get a booking despite a record number of travellers this Christmas. Air Canada regional manager Glen Steeves said today.

"We are putting on extra flights and everyone who wants to travel should be able to get a seat," he said.

Passage is available because this year Air Canada strictly enforced a policy of confirming Christmas flights only when the ticket is purchased.

This reduces the no-shows

and cancellations, Steeves said.

While passage is available, it may not be at the time or on the day the traveller might prefer. However, they should still be able to reach their destination before Christmas.

Air Canada has put on six extra flights out of Victoria and 21 out of Vancouver for the Christmas-New Years period.

Pacific Western Airlines has put on 22 extra flights out of Victoria. Space is tight on PWA runs to Seattle but reservations can still be obtained on the Vancouver run for Christmas. PWA regional

sales manager Eric Carswell said.

Both airlines are encouraging travellers to try standby tickets on the flight they prefer because there will be a few cancellations at the last minute.

An increasing number of Victorians will be heading for sunshine but the majority are going home for Christmas, the airline spokesmen said.

The LTs (leisure travel) are usually older people who are heading for Hawaii or southern U.S. cities. A small number of young people are heading for skiing vacations.

The rest are VFRs (visiting family and relatives). For this group the main destinations are Calgary, Edmonton and Toronto. There is also heavy traffic from Victoria to the B.C. interior, Winnipeg, Ottawa, Montreal and Halifax.

A small number of Victorians will head home to the United Kingdom for Christmas and a few are visiting relatives in the United States.

The vast majority of those heading south are LTs.

Officials of airlines and travel agencies have noticed a sharp drop in the number of LTs going to Mexico, despite

the bargain resulting from the devalued Peso. This could be due to several factors, including travel fads, but there have been several news stories about rough treatment of visitors by police and jail officials in that country.

Florida, California, Arizona and Nevada are the popular U.S. destinations.

Meanwhile, B.C. Ferries are also bracing for the usual pre-Christmas rush.

There will be extra sailings immediately before Christmas and New Years Day.

On Thursday, Dec. 23, ferries will leave Swartz Bay at 7, 9, 11, noon, 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9.

Ferries leave Tsawwassen at 7, 9, 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10.

The identical schedule will be in effect Friday Dec. 24.

On Saturday, Christmas Day, ferries will leave Swartz Bay and Tsawwassen at two-hour intervals on the odd hour from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.

The Dec. 23 schedule will be repeated in both directions on Friday, Dec. 31, New Years Eve.

The Christmas schedule will be repeated on New Years Day.

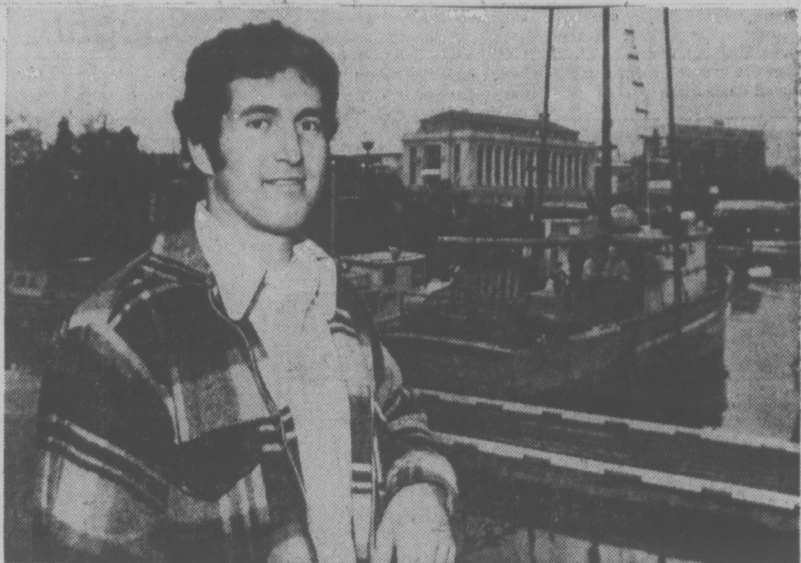
Other ferry information can be obtained by phoning 386-3431.

The Air Canada number for

reservations and information is 382-9242. It is in operation from 6 a.m. to midnight and company spokesmen urge people to phone early or late. The busiest time is mid-morning or in the late afternoon. Right after lunch or after supper is usually a slack time and callers should be able to get through.

For PWA reservations or information, the number is 388-5191. It is open from 5:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. the following day. Any time after 4 p.m. is considered slack time. Travel agents from B.C. and Alberta have some of the lines tied up during the day until that time.

Old tub full of love and promise



Burkholder and Kolberg in Inner Harbor

She may look like an old tub, but she's full of love and promise for the people the Shantymen reach out to. The 58-foot trawler Kolberg pulled out of the Inner Harbor Thursday on her way back to Bamfield and winter refit.

Behind her are working cruises to Alaska, circumnavigation of the Queen Charlotte Islands and recent visits to the Gulf Islands.

Skipper and owner Brian Burkholder at the age of 27 has about 14 years experience behind him as fisherman and logger. Born and raised in Bamfield, he early made the acquaintance of Shantymen working in the Pacific ministry around Camp Ross.

And now he's following that ministry himself, working as a student missionary and skipping his boat into out-of-the-way places where Shantymen haven't been for years. The trips to Alaska and the Queen Charlottes may be just a one-time happening, but Burkholder isn't worried about it.

"It's all in God's hands," he said, talking just like a Shantymen. "He does it all. We don't do anything."

This might seem hard to believe for anyone who has seen the Shantymen at work. They don't shrink from any kind of work and part of their training could be equated to a pioneer survival course.

Joan McKee, who, with husband Ron is on staff at the Shantymen's Camp Ross near Bamfield, was aboard the Kolberg this week. "The courses we give are practical training," she said.

"They are specially geared for out-of-the-way places. In addition to Bible knowledge, there are children's programs to learn as well as finding how to repair tires, chop wood, build a fire and cook a meal with no commercial foods."

"We learn to make bread, garden, preserve food, raise pigs and butcher them."

She told about the "faith mission" of the Shantymen which spells out that "God will supply our needs."

That's the way it's been with missionaries who have moved into areas where help was needed even though they themselves had no firm means of support.

"The Lord moves the hearts of people to help," Joan explained, "and that's the way it works out. It happens too often just to be coincidence."

Debbie Forney was in the boat's snug cabin here this week. She works fulltime as a missionary in Victoria, calling on the elderly. Gloria Troll of Camp Ross was there. She looks after children's camps. Eleanor Gillett, an RN at Royal Jubilee Hospital, was there. She said she'd be heading to Camp Ross come summer to get more training.

Skipper Burkholder said the Lord was at work in sending the trawler on its mission. Part of the trip was paid for by Canadian Wildlife Federation, which sent biologist Ken Summers on a bird census of the Charlottes.

"We went into every inlet of the Queen Charlottes," Burkholder said, "and I really liked that because, ever since

I have been tuna fishing up there, I'd always wanted to do that."

While Summers was counting birds, Jim McAlonan, another missionary, visited the lonely houses along the shore and Burkholder kept the trawler at anchor.

"That's the only way one can get ashore in many parts of the islands because of the terrain."

"We called at one little settlement," the skipper said, "where they hadn't seen a religious visitor in more than 30 years. At another stop, the young resident couple said they were 40 miles or five hours by boat (in good weather, that is) from the nearest neighbor."

There is year-round field training at Camp Ross in a program based on the word of God and geared to build spiritually sound, physically fit persons. Training members work under the direction of Shantymen missionaries and learn by doing.

They learn a lot about the Bible. And they learn skills like trail evangelism which, to a Shantymen, is supplying information, refreshments, medical aid and a share of faith in Jesus Christ to hikers on the famed West Coast Trail.

Roy Getman, 673 Winchester, Nanaimo, who is superintendent for the Island, receives inquiries and applications. And Percy Wais, at 595-8051 in Victoria, knows a lot about the Shantymen, too.

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11:00 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP Pastor Archer preaching Believers' Baptism
7 p.m. "CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION" — See Christmas through Children's eyes! Hear the Junior Choir sing!
Friday, December 24, 11:00 p.m. to Midnight
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11:00 a.m. THE TRINITY CHRISTMAS Praise Service
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Nursery Facilities Available
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FRI. DEC. 24 — 7:30 p.m.
Minister: Rev. G. D. Smith, M.A.

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7:00 p.m. A Church Musicals by the Senior Choir
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2:30 p.m. Worship Service and Sunday School (Bi-lingual)
Pastor: Daniel Ho Phone 598-5022

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OLDFIELD GOSPEL CHAPEL
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9:45 a.m. Family Bible School
11:00 a.m. "CHRISTIAN PRAISE"
7:00 p.m. Annual Sunday School Christmas Program.
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7:00 P.M. Sunday School Christmas Presentation
"THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS"
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Pastor: Rev. Steve Wong 383-3878

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Pastor: D. L. McMillan, 2250 Sooke Road. Assistant: R. Bitterman
9:45 a.m. — SUNDAY SCHOOL
11:00 a.m. — Pastor McMillan Preaching
"I'M DREAMING OF A 'RIGHT' CHRISTMAS"
7 P.M. Sunday School CHRISTMAS CONCERT
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11:00 A.M.
"THE FIRST CHRISTMAS DAY"
7:00 P.M.
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REV. E. E. AUSTIN, PASTOR
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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
A Branch of The Mother Church,
The First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass.
CHAMBERS at PANDORA
Sunday Services: 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Lesson Sermon:
IS THE UNIVERSE, INCLUDING MAN, EVOLVED BY ATOMIC FORCE?
Sunday School: 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Testimony Meeting, 8:00 p.m.
Reading Room, 1210 Broad Street
Come and Visit Us. Nursery Elevator

Queens Avenue
804 QUEENS AVENUE
PASTOR BILL JOHNS
Team Ministers:
REV. TED FOLLOWS
REV. DOUG KOOTY
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382-7833
Wednesday, 7:45 p.m. SCHOOL OF THE BIBLE

THE SALVATION ARMY
Victoria Citadel 757 PANDORA AVE.
Corps Officers: Major and Mrs. Ivan McNeilly
CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Family Service with Special Music
7:00 p.m. Service of Christmas Joy featuring the Victoria Citadel Songsters and the Victoria Citadel Band.
FRI. DEC. 24 —
CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
Everyone is Welcome

Pastor: JOHN STONE
TUESDAY — PRAYER 7:00 P.M.
trinity christian centre
949 FULLERTON AVE.
10:30 a.m. HARALD BREDESEN
"ALLELUIA ..."
Presented by the 50-Voice Trinity Choir. Trinity's Musical Celebration of Christmas under the direction of Mary Ellen Kingsfield.
Pastor at Large HARALD BREDESEN
THURSDAY — SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP 8:00 P.M.

THE CHRISTADELPHIANS
ADVANCEMENT OF SCRIPTURE KNOWLEDGE
1396 McKenzie Avenue
SUNDAY — 14 p.m., drop-in.
Tickets on sale for New Year's Eve dance, \$2.50 each.

Great News FOR THE WORLD
"AND THE GOVERNMENT SHALL BE UPON HIS SHOULDERS"
Bible Address J. Clover Sun. 7:30 p.m. No Collections
Sunday School Memorial Worship 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

UNITY OF VICTORIA
AT THE EMPRESS HOTEL
PRINCESS LOUISE ROOM
Sunday, December 19th
"A LIGHT THAT SHINES FOR YOU"
Class 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Spiritual Service 7-8 p.m.
"The Light in the Window"
Rev. Phyllis Jamison
Unity Church of Victoria is to be affiliated with Unity of Vancouver, Unity School of Christianity and Daily Word Magazine.

Silver Threads

VICTORIA
MONDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 1 p.m., stamp club; 1:15, bridge; 7:20, whist.
TUESDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 2:30, bowling at Town and Country; 7:30, old time dance, 50 cents each, members only.
WEDNESDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 1 p.m., chess club; 1:15, sing-song; 2, concert — Silver Threads Service Choir; 7:20, whist.
THURSDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 2 p.m., old time dance.
FRIDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-in, cards, shuffleboard, pool, library; 11:30, lunch; 1:30 p.m., choir practice.
SATURDAY — Centre closed for Christmas Day.
SUNDAY — 14 p.m., drop-in.
Tickets on sale for New Year's Eve dance, \$2.50 each.
SAANICH
MONDAY through FRIDAY — 8:30 a.m., drop-ins, billiards, Shuffleboard.
MONDAY—11:30 a.m., lunch; 1 p.m., duplicate and contract bridge; 7, Hampton Happy Gang Orchestra practice.
TUESDAY — 9:30 a.m., carpet bowling; 11:30, hot meal; 1 p.m., chess, billiards; 1:30, progressive whist, billiards.
WEDNESDAY — 11:30 a.m., lunch; 1:30 p.m., carol sing — song; 7:30, Vancouver Island Netherlands Choir concert, 286 Hampton Rd.
THURSDAY — 9:30 a.m., carpet bowling; 11:30, lunch; 1 p.m., progressive and contract bridge.
FRIDAY — 9:30 a.m., carpet bowling; 11:30, lunch, drop-ins; 7:30 p.m., progressive whist.
SATURDAY — centre closed for Christmas Day.
Tickets on sale for New Year's Eve dance.
ESQUIMALT
MONDAY — Noon: soup and sandwich luncheon; drop in all day; 2:45 five-pin bowling at Town and Country, with openings for newcomers and learners.
TUESDAY — 10 a.m., baking bee with Willie Dennis; noon, soup and sandwich luncheon; 1:30, carpet bowling; 2 p.m., swimming for seniors with instruction, sauna and whirlpool. Drop in all day.
WEDNESDAY — Drop in all day. Christmas Dinner. (Tickets must be purchased in advance) 1:15 Christmas sing song with Silver Singers.
THURSDAY — Drop in all day. Noon: hot lunch.
FRIDAY — 10 a.m. Learn to carpet bowl; drop in all day.
Esquimalt Silver Threads is offering a lunch each noon Monday through Thursday at reasonable prices.
SIDNEY
MONDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., quilting, ceramics; 11 a.m., health course; noon, lunch; 1 p.m., ceramics, creative writing; 2 p.m., films; 7:30 p.m. macramé.
TUESDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., oil painting, serenaders; noon, lunch; 1 p.m., crochet, oil painting; 1:15 p.m., whist; 7 p.m., shuffleboard, table tennis.
WEDNESDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., rug-hooking, novelties; mah-jongg; noon, hot dinner; 1 a.m., discussion group; 2 p.m., concert, Serenaders.
THURSDAY — 9 a.m., centre opens, cards, shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., weaving, carpet bowling; 11 a.m., lunch; 1 a.m., dressmaking, bridge; 7 p.m., crib.
FRIDAY — 9 a.m., centre open, cards shuffleboard, library; 10 a.m., keep fit, needlepoint, quilting; noon, lunch; 1 p.m., knitting; 1:30, stretch and sew; 2 p.m. jacko; 7 p.m., evening cards.
SATURDAY — 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., open for drop-ins.
SUNDAY — 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., open for drop ins.
Morning coffee, afternoon teas served every day. Senior citizens of the district visitors welcome. The centre will be closed on Dec. 27 and 28 — but will open 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for drop-ins.